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Thatcher hits at 'folly' of united Europe

Delors' aims for EEC future are ridiculed

- **The Prime Minister dismissed as folly yesterday the idea of political and economic union of European nations**
- **Her remarks were greeted with hostility in the European Commission as "unrelentingly negative"**
- **Addressing the College of Europe, Mrs Thatcher set out five guiding principals for the future (page 9)**
- **She declared that Europe would have to heed American warnings and play a full part in meeting the cost of defence**

From Nicholas Wood, Political Correspondent, Bruges

Mrs Thatcher risked a new crisis in Britain's relationship with the EEC yesterday by setting her face implacably against moves towards political and economic union.

Speaking here on the doorstep of the European Commission, the Prime Minister warned against the "folly" of trying to fit independent nation states into "some sort of Identikit European personality".

Instead, she mapped out her own enterprise-led agenda for the Community centred on free trade, a bigger contribution to Western security, a minimum of red tape and further reform of the "unwieldy and grossly expensive" common agricultural policy.

Mrs Thatcher was addressing the College of Europe, the continent's only post-graduate academy for the study of European law and politics.

The initial reaction by the European Commission was overwhelmingly hostile. A senior EEC official said that her remarks were "outrageous and unrelentingly negative" and would do a lot of harm.

Mrs Thatcher denied that she was dreaming of some cosy isolated existence on the fringes of the Community. Britain's destiny lay in Europe, as part of the EEC, though not exclusively so.

She said: "To try to suppress nationhood and concentrate power at the centre of a European conglomerate would be highly damaging and would jeopardise the objectives we seek to achieve. Europe would be stronger precisely because it has France as France, Spain as Spain, Britain as Britain, each with its own customs, traditions and identity.

"It would be folly to try to fit them into some sort of Identikit European personality."

The united states of Europe was out of the question because the people owed allegiance to their own nation states not some wider entity.

Mrs Thatcher said she wanted the countries of Europe to try to speak with a single voice on the great issues of the day such as trade, defence and foreign affairs.

"But working more closely together does not require power to be centralized in Brussels or decisions to be taken by an appointed bureaucracy.

"Indeed, it is ironic that just when those countries such as the Soviet Union, which have tried to run everything from the centre, are learning that success depends on disbursing power and decisions away from the centre, some in the Community seem to want to move in the opposite direction.

"We have not successfully rolled back the frontiers of the state in Britain only to see them reimposed at a European level with a European superstate exercising a new dominance from Brussels.

"Certainly, we want to see Europe more united and with a greater sense of common purpose but it must be in a way which preserves the different traditions, parliamentary powers and sense of national pride in one's own country.

Mrs Thatcher's chief target, though she mentioned no one by name, was M Jacques Delors, the President of the European Commission, who has predicted that power will gradually pass from national parliaments to European institutions and who is the driving force behind moves to harmonize fiscal and trade union legislation.

But her fierce insistence on a Thatcherite future for Europe will be regarded with varying degrees of dismay throughout continental capitals, particularly Athens, Madrid and Paris where socialist administrations are in power.

Mrs Thatcher at the beginning of a four-day tour of Europe, was addressing a distinguished audience of European academics, officials and politicians.

On the economic front Mrs Thatcher said she wanted a Europe "open to enterprise", which she regarded as the thinking that lay behind 1992 and the advent of the single European market. "That

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Madrid — The first official visit by a British Prime Minister to Spain is due to begin tonight when Mrs Thatcher arrives her amidst the tightest of security here (Philip Jacobson writes).

In an interview with *The Times* shortly before Mrs Thatcher's arrival, Señor Felipe González, the Spanish Prime Minister, makes clear that he does not intend to give any ground on what he considers to be matters of critical importance in his country's relations with Britain ..Page 7

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Duchess names a Maiden



In her first official engagement since the birth of Princess Beatrice, the Duchess of York went to Hamble yesterday to name Maiden Great Britain which, with an all-girl crew, will challenge for the Round-the-World yacht race next year.

Hurd declares war against racketeers who back IRA

By Peter Evans and Philip Webster

The Government yesterday declared an all-out offensive against the paymasters of the IRA by unveiling tough new measures against the Mafia-style rackets which raise millions for weapons, ammunition and bombs.

Radical new laws are to be put through the coming session of Parliament to choke off the millions of pounds of terrorist funding which flow in from legitimate businesses, ranging from hotels and pubs to taxi firms and estate agents.

Introducing the new measures in a speech to the annual conference in Blackpool of the Police Superintendents' Association, Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, said the IRA is believed to make up to £4 million a year from rackets like the sale of black market tax exemption vouchers, taking several pence from every pint of beer sold in Catholic clubs and bars, and "donations" from workers on building sites in Ulster and on mainland Britain.

The new law will allow the police to investigate and freeze bank accounts through which IRA funds are held and banks and building societies will have to alert police to suspicious customers.

The key to the measures will be a new offence of handling money for a terrorist organization. Anyone charged with it will have assets frozen by the court and, if convicted, will have them seized.

The measures are to be included in the new Prevention of Terrorism Bill already planned for the coming session and needed to renew the Government's existing powers to detain suspected terrorists without charge and exclude known terrorists from the UK.

By doing so the Government has put the Labour Party in an embarrassing position. It is already opposed to the renewal of the Prevention of Terrorism Act.

Last night Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow home secretary, said the opposition supported the measures announced by Mr Hurd but he said that none of them required a Prevention of Terrorism Act and could have been introduced by other means.

He said that Labour continued to oppose the Act because it had little effect on preventing terrorism and, because it was seen as an overtly anti-Irish measure, it created sympathy for the IRA where none would otherwise exist.

Mr Hurd said that in the knowledge of the latest outrages "no democrat with any grip on reality" could sensibly oppose a Prevention of Terrorism Act.

But Mr Hattersley angrily hit back, saying he was not taking lectures from the Home Secretary on preventing terrorism when it was his government that gave free passage to the killers of WPC Yvonne Fletcher.

The new measures are broadly similiar to drug legislation which has resulted in £10 million of assets being frozen and £2 million of assets seized in this country since early last year.

The difference between the drugs legislation and the new proposals is that they would

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Hattersley says Labour will abolish the Lords

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Labour Party yesterday gave its firmest commitment yet to the abolition of the House of Lords.

Mr Roy Hattersley, the deputy leader, said that ways of abolishing the Lords and a decision on whether it should be replaced by a form of elected chamber, were to form a key part in the second phase of Labour's policy review.

He told a party meeting in Dartford, Kent, that the action of the Lords in backing the Government over the abolition of the Inner London Education Authority and the introduction of the poll tax had demonstrated the basic unacceptability of an unelected second chamber.

They had seen the "naked operation" of the Conservative Party's inbuilt majority in one House of Parliament. Such an inbuilt majority could not be allowed to continue in a democracy; a second House composed of hereditary peers and political nominees was an anachronism.

Mr Hattersley's pledge to abolish the Lords was probably the strongest ever given by such a senior Labour figure.

Historically, the abolition of the Lords has been an issue of internal controversy. Mr Tony Benn has always accused Mr James Callaghan, then prime minister, of omitting it at the last moment from the 1979 general election manifesto. It appeared in the 1983 manifesto, along with many other cherished left-wing commitments, but was left out last year on priority grounds.

However, past declarations on abolition have failed to deal with the consequences of such action, whether there should be a successor chamber and, if so, how transition from one to the other will be organized.

It is those questions which will be considered by the democracy policy review group, chaired by Mr Hattersley, making the abolition of the Lords, therefore, an important feature of Labour's new policy stance.

Mr Hattersley said that the group would have to consider whether a second chamber was necessary. The popular argument that it deterred the Commons from excesses was not supported by the evidence of the past eight years.

In considering what form a second chamber might constitute, it was difficult to imagine the advantages which would result from nominees who reflected the political composition of the Commons.

Building societies lift rate to 12.75%

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The leading building societies announced yesterday that mortgage rates would rise from 11.5 to 12.75 per cent from October 1.

The move, which will add £19.40 to net monthly repayments on a £30,000 mortgage and £47.60 on a £60,000 mortgage, followed the release of money supply figures

These showed a sharp but largely unexplained slowdown in bank lending last month, raising City hopes that a further increase in base rates can be avoided.

The building societies, led by the Halifax, set their mortgage rates in the belief that base rates would remain at 12 per cent, although the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, gave warning not to read too much into one month's figures.

Mr John Smith, the Shadow Chancellor, said: "These mortgage rises will be a substantial increase in the cost of living for many families who thought they might be a little better off after the Budget."

The mortgage rate set by the Halifax and other leading societies was matched by the National Westminster Bank.

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- Two people shared yesterday's £4,000 daily prize (see page 3), so the Portfolio Accumulator stands at £226,000.

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On course for gold

Britain's Steve Redgrave and Andy Holmes face two Olympic semi-finals within four hours in Seoul tomorrow after qualifying from their heat in the coxed pairs yesterday. Britain's coxless four also reached the semi-finals.

Britain's men's hockey team improved their medal prospects by beating Canada 3-0.

After the dressage section of the three-day event, Britain lies second, thanks to Virginia Leng and Ian Stark, while on the day tennis returned to the Games after 64 years, Jeremy Bates moved into the second round with a five-set win .....Pages 46-48

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A full list of degree course vacancies remaining in law, business administration, architecture, creative arts, education, agriculture and mass communications is published today Page 43

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Mobs on rampage after Haiti coup

From Alan Tomlinson, Port-au-Prince

Security forces in Haiti yesterday mutinied against commanders at army barracks and police stations around the capital, and joined vengeful mobs in hunting down and killing former members of the Tontons Macoutes, the disbanded secret police of the Duvalier dictatorship.

At least seven hacked and bullet-riddled bodies, some of them burnt, littered the streets of the Caribbean port city as dawn rose yesterday. There were also reports of soldiers arresting people then handing them over to mobs to be brutally killed.

President Avril, the lieutenant-general who seized power at the weekend, appealed for unity in a speech from the steps of the National Palace after appointing a new armed forces chief.

Many members of the Tontons Macoutes (Creole for bogeymen) were integrated into the Army after the Duvalier dynasty collapsed in February, 1986. But resentful professional soldiers who backed the coup called for the elimination of the Macoutes, as well as officers loyal to the Duvaliers and the deposed President, Lieutenant-General Henri Namphy.

By mid-morning yesterday, troops had begun to disperse angry mobs

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IRA terrorists 'not identified'

From Tony Dawe, Gibraltar

A series of mistakes made by Gibraltar police officers on the day three IRA terrorists were shot was described to the inquest into their deaths yesterday.

Two members of the police surveillance team related how they failed to identify one of the terrorists, Sean Savage, as he entered Gibraltar and even when he parked his car in the area where they were expecting a bomb to be left.

A senior inspector who set off a police car siren within 100 yards of the IRA gang told the inquest that he was unaware of any counter-terrorist operation that day.

The mistake meant plans to arrest the terrorists, firstly at the border and then in the area of the suspected car bomb, had to be abandoned. Several witnesses have said that the siren alerted the terrorists

Det Constable Charles Huart said that he spent more than seven hours on the Spanish side of the border keeping observation for the three terrorists, Mairead Farrell, Daniel McCann and Savage, but recognized no one.

However, he disclosed that he had been shut in a computer room and had to rely on the Spanish police flashing passport pictures on a screen

He said that they had concentrated on cars carrying two men and a woman. However, it was known later that Savage had driven in alone using a false Irish passport in the name of Brendan Coyne.

Mr Patrick McGrory, representing the families of the terrorists, told the detective: "So we have Spanish police very much on the alert for a man carrying an Irish passport in the name of Coyne and the Gibraltar authorities very much on the alert for a man carrying an Irish passport in the name of Coyne and both missed him". Det Constable Huart replied: "This is what you are saying".

Savage parked his car at 12.30pm near Ince's Hall, where the band and guard of the Royal Anglian Regiment assembled every Tuesday

However, Police Constable Albert Viagas, who was on duty there with two members of the security services, said yesterday that none of them were sure the man was Savage.

Savage was positively identified about two hours later but the delay damaged the second option of arresting the terrorists at Ince's Hall. The hearing continues today.

Keeping Civil Service out of the market place

By Roland Rudd
Employment Affairs Reporter



Sir Robin Butler: "We are all managers now."

Sir Robin Butler, head of the home Civil Service, yesterday said the Civil Service could not be run as a company subject to the disciplines of the commercial market because of the major differencies between government service and business.

In his first major speech since his appointment earlier this year, Sir Robin told the Institute of Personnel Management that while some activities carried out within the Government can be subject to market pressures, there were still large areas which could not.

"Under this Government, the application of competition and of market discipline has been greatly extended. But there remain large areas of government activity which cannot be made subject to a commercial regime."

In a robust defence of the traditional values of the Civil Service, such as the high standards of integrity, impartiality and competence often taken for granted, Sir Robin pointed out that the analogy between government service and business was bound to have its limitations.

Civil Servants were accountable to Ministers in a manner unheard of in business. "What individual case of the treatment of the customer of a supermarket could be pursued in the way that the treatment of a claimant in a social security office can be raised by his MP in Parliament?" he asked.

However, he accepted that management of the Civil Service requires more than preserving assets. It was absolutely vital to keep abreast and ahead of changes.

There were obvious advantages to achieve this goal in using commercial discipline to provide the common language of profit and loss in which performance can be measured and against which it can be tested.

But because profit and loss could not be the final work in measuring performance the Civil Service had invested time and effort in producing other mechanisms in evaluating performance.

In a clear and unequivocal denunciation of staff who leak sensitive documents to the public Sir Robin said the unusual framework in which Civil Servants worked created difficulties not present in commercial life

"They have an obligation not to enter the political arena by indiscretion or betrayal of confidence." Yet by the same account the constraints this puts on Civil

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NEWS ROUNDUP

Call to cut radon gas limits by half

The maximum levels of cancer-causing radon gas permitted in homes should be cut by half, the Institution of Environmental Health Officers is to tell the Government.

This follows last week's preliminary results from a national survey into radon levels, which showed that thousands of houses outside the well-known high-radon areas of Devon and Cornwall may need urgent treatment.

Radon is an invisible radioactive gas that seeps out of the Earth's crust to build up in houses built over certain types of rock, particularly granite. The institution says the present maximum level constitutes a cancer risk considerably higher than that permitted for radiation workers.

● About 500 rubbish tips in England and Wales pose a hazard to public health and property from methane and carbon dioxide emissions, Mr Richard Hawkins, a barrister and chairman of the Road Haulage Association environmental and waste management functional group, said yesterday. He told a conference in London, organized by Industry and Environment Associates, that it could cost £325 million to make them safe.

Pension rise demand

The elderly staged a nationwide offensive yesterday to fight for substantial increases in pensions and state benefits. Local MPs will be urged to support immediate implementation of £14-a-week increases in pensions for married couples and £9 for single people. Then it is proposed to force through legislation which will guarantee £100 a week for couples instead of the present £65.90 and £70 to replace the £41.15 now paid to single people. The move was supported unanimously at the annual conference in Manchester of the National Pensions Convention.

Fumes killed four

Three children and a teenage mother choked to death on fumes from foam-filled furniture when fire destroyed their home last June, a coroner was told yesterday. The fire was almost certainly started by an ember from a cigarette being smoked by David Petersen, aged 48, the inquest in Truro, Cornwall, was told. Mr Petersen, his wife, Daphne, and their son, Carl, escaped from their home in Falmouth, Cornwall, but their two sons, Daniel and Matthew, their daughter, Adele, aged 19, and her daughter, Kelly-Marie, aged 18 months, all died.

Mr Edward Carlyon, the coroner, recorded verdicts of accidental death on all four.

BA takes off for Iran

British Airways is to begin flying to Tehran for the first time in more than three years after the ceasefire in the Gulf war. It is also reopening services to Baghdad as part of the gradual return to normality. This will help British businessmen hoping to take advantage of the expected growth in trade which will follow any lasting peace. The Foreign Office has been in discussion with British Airways for some time about the resumption of air services. The Baghdad route is due to reopen on November 2 with a twice weekly Tri-star service via Cairo. The Tehran service will reopen – provided negotiations can be completed in time – on December 15 via Larnaca in Cyprus.

Inquest on jockey

A promising jockey was burnt to death after his car crashed into a tree and exploded, an inquest at Newbury, Berkshire, was told yesterday. Paul Croucher, of Lambourn, who had drunk nearly twice the legal limit of alcohol, died at the end of a long day that had included a dawn start, a 300-mile drive, a horse race and a late-night meal with friends at a Chaddleworth public house, Mr Charles Hoile, the West Berkshire coroner, was told. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

Extortion rackets widespread in Ulster

By Paul Vallely and Jamie Dettmer

Sir John Hermon, Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, was yesterday criticized by Northern Ireland politicans for the views he expressed in his interview with *The Times* on Monday.

Mr Ken Maginnis, the Ulster Unionist MP, said it was irksome to find Sir John denying the security forces were under pressure from escalating IRA violence when policing in some towns was "disgraceful".

Meanwhile, Mr Seamus Mallon, deputy leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, said Sir John was wrong to say the "shoot to kill" controversy had not done lasting damage

The income of the IRA and various Protestant paramilitary organizations from racketeering and smuggling could be as high as £10 million a year, according to security sources in Northern Ireland. Last year police investigated more than 40 separate rackets and official sources believe this to be only a fraction of the true problem.

The IRA is said to have an income of between £4 million and £15 million. Last year Customs' officials in the Republic said the IRA had raised £1 million alone from the distillation and smuggling of fake vodka – more than 2 per cent of the total official sales of vodka.

The IRA is also understood to demand a percentage of all profit made by non-terrorist smugglers who make up to £100 million a year from illegal cross-border trade, according to the Ministry of Finance in Dublin.

The paramilitary Ulster Defence Association, which is not proscribed, was last year said to have raised £2 million, mostly through legal drinking clubs but also through protection rackets.

Extortion is a widespread and serious problem, particularly in the pub and building trades. Businessmen are expected to pay between 10 and 12 per cent a year to the local paramilitary organizations, sometimes a similar amount to both the IRA and UDA.

Some contractors with local government report that demands for money have come even before they have been awarded the job. Several have complained that they have been telephoned with demands based on tenders which are still supposed to be contained in sealed envelopes

One small builder who specializes in laying tarmac on the drives of private houses told *The Times* that he paid £20,000 a year in protection money out of an annual turnover of only £100,000.

Prosecutions however have been few, largely because the police find it difficult to persuade witnesses to testify in court.

"They burned out my lorry once when I tried to skip the building site without paying. It is just not worth it. And appearing in court to testify would be like signing my own death warrant", the builder said.

Police sources hope the new law will obviate the need for witnesses. At present, police say they are inhibited by the Bankers' Evidence Act 1879. Recently they tried to investigate one bank account – and even got the permission of one of the account holders – but the bank involved refused access.

In an attempt to circumvent this, police have more recently been in contact, through the Confederation of British Industry and the local chambers of commerce, with businessmen. The RUC is asking them to pass on evidence of blackmail and extortion, even if they feel unable to appear in court.

Court orders on violence take effect

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Government's campaign to make violent offenders compensate their victims began to take effect yesterday.

Just 24 hours after the Home Office issued courts with a list of sums they might consider ordering offenders to pay victims, a boy aged 16 was awarded £500 for a broken nose at Teesside Crown Court and a youth of 17 was awarded £400 for a similar injury.

Christopher Shellhall, of Skelton, Cleveland, was headbutted by Gary Mago, aged 19, a process worker from Guisborough, Cleveland.

Richard Nesham, aged 17, of Osmotherley, North Yorkshire, was headbutted by Shaun Watson, aged 21, a bricklayer, of Brompton-on-Swale, who had convictions for football violence and participating in a riot at a public house. Watson was also ordered to pay £200 of his prosecution costs and was given a nine-month suspended jail sentence.

Mago was given a year's conditional discharge. Both men admitted assault.

In another case, heard at Highbury Magistrates' Court, north London, a painter and decorator who punched a police officer in the face was ordered to pay him £95 compensation.

Charles Rogers, aged 21, of Holloway, north London, was also sentenced to three months' imprisonment, suspended for two years, for assaulting PC Mark Anderson. He had denied assault.

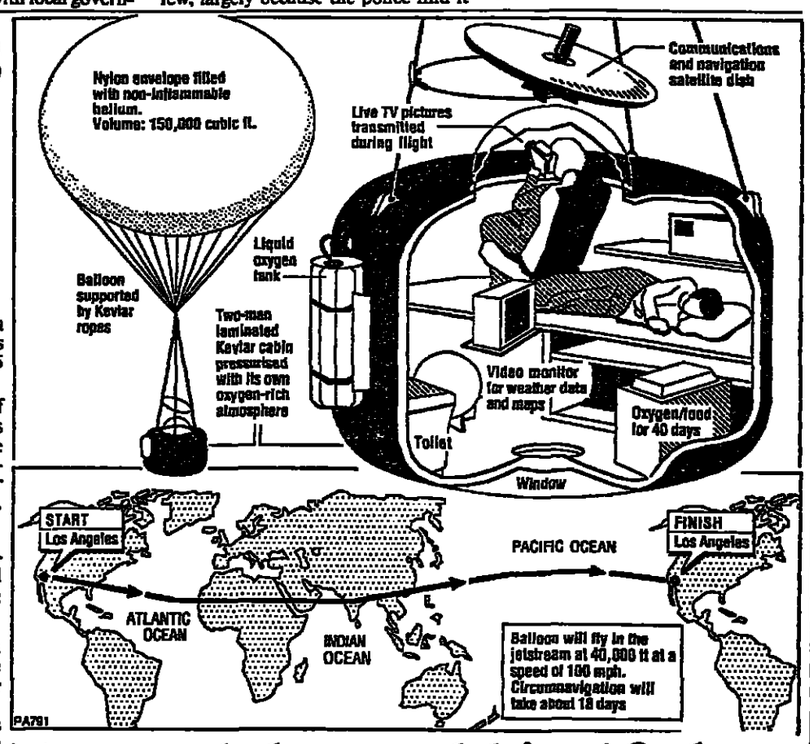
Mr David Barr, the stipendiary magistrate, said he had always awarded compensation to victims at his court.

Many more compensation orders are expected to be made in the wake of the new Home Office guidelines.

Suggesting a range of sums from £50 for a graze to more than £8,000 for a severe facial scar, the Home Office has told courts that they must make much more use of their powers to order compensation.

Under provisions of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 that comes into force next month, magistrates will have to give reasons if they do not order compensation.

The Home Office has made it clear that even the poorest offender should be made to pay compensation.



Around the world in 18 days

An attempt on the first non-stop, manned balloon flight around the world has been launched from a musty, book-lined room at the Reform Club, Pall Mall – where, in Jules Verne's novel, Phileas Fogg came from behind his copy of *The Times* to accept a challenge to circumnavigate the globe in 80 days.

Mr Julian Nott, a Fellow of the Explorers Club, said that since Verne's other fantasies, a trip to the moon and a voyage to the bed of the ocean, had become realities, it was time for the third to come true as well.

He proposes to lift off the 135ft high Explorer super-pressure balloon from the US Marine Airbase at Tustin, Los Angeles, around November 15 and fly 21,600 nautical miles across America, Europe (or Africa, according to the way the wind blows), India, the Pacific and Japan, arriving back "somewhere in America" 18 days later.

Mr Nott, a 44 year-old bachelor from Bristol, with Mr Buddy Squires, an American cameraman, as his "Passepartout", will take Explorer into the jet stream at 35,000 to 40,000 feet where the winds will whisk themalong at around 80 miles an hour.

Dons in queue to join industry

By Sam Kiley, Universities Reporter

British universities are having chronic difficulty getting staff for senior posts because of competition from industry and overseas.

A report by the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals – which represents the interests of the universities as employers – and the Association of University Teachers says that more than a third of vacant professorial chairs advertised between April 1987 and March this year were unfilled by the end of the financial year. Nearly a fifth (19 per cent) of lecturing posts were unoccupied.

The report, which was presented to the Department of Education and Science last month, gives a warning that the quality of applicants is falling.

The worst hit subjects are social studies, general sciences, computing, engineering, accountancy, and business studies.

One post in computing at Oxford was unfilled for two years before a suitable candidate was found. In the same subject at Strathclyde the post was advertised a year ago and remains unfilled.

The report says that universities found most difficulty recruiting in subjects for which industry also competes.

University professors are paid an average of £28,820 and a minimum of £23,380; polytechnic heads of department a maximum of about £26,000.

● The Association of University Teachers has been granted a High Court injunction preventing university authorities from dismissing two lecturers at the University of Wales College, Cardiff, after an undertaking was given earlier this year that there would be no further dismissals.

The case will be reviewwd by a judge in chambers on Friday, the association said.

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Profits 'out of reach of court'

Drug gangsters jailed over big amphetamine 'factory'

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Four men were jailed yesterday after being convicted of producing amphetamine sulphate at the biggest and most sophisticated illegal laboratory found in Britain.

A police investigation, code-named Operation Trooper, put a halt to the main illicit supplier of amphetamine, nicknamed "speed", based in a condemned property in the docklands of Canning Town, east London.

However, the police acknowledged last night that in spite of the sentences the men may have hidden considerable assets out of reach of confiscation by the court. One defendant left the court yesterday boasting that his money had not been touched after orders for the confiscation of a few thousand pounds had been made.

The police have little doubt that much more was made from the operation. They said that production of amphetamine sulphate has become almost a cottage industry in some parts of London as criminals cash in on demand for a drug which sells at an eighth of the price of cocaine.

Sales of the basic ingredient, BMK, are controlled but illicit producers can obtain supplies sometimes from abroad. Use of the drug has become so widespread in recent years that the police say it is the most favoured drug in Britain after cannabis.

Judge Petre told the Central Criminal Court that deterrent sentences were called for to stop the "filthy and destructive trade. This enterprise was at the top of the league".

The gang had entered into the plot with their eyes open. "Sentences which will deter others who might be contemplating this sort of activity are necessary", the judge said.

He said: "It must be understood by anybody contemplating entering this trade that sentences will be severe. There is a desire for money which makes this particular trade, however disagreeable, attractive to such as you."

Joseph Pykett, aged 36, a scrap dealer, of Hazelwood, Upper Park, Loughton, Essex, who was said to be the prime mover in the scheme, was jailed for 13 years. Stephen Tucker, aged 29, of no fixed address, an untrained chemist who was said to have been in charge of day-to-day production, was jailed for 10 years. Both were convicted of conspiracy to produce and supply the drug.

Charles Matthews, aged 53, a scrap dealer, of St Mary's Avenue, Wanstead, east London, who was the distributor, and Kevin Hole, aged 26, of Theydon Road, Epping, Essex, who was described as a "foot soldier", were each jailed for 10 years after being convicted of conspiracy to supply.

The judge ordered the seizure of £9,000 from Matthews, but nothing from either Pykett or Hole and only £13.70 from Tucker. After a day-long session yesterday, the judge concluded that Hole should forfeit £1,200 and Tucker £3,200, which were their known earnings from the conspiracy.

However, he accepted that neither Hole nor Tucker had any realizable assets. That left £13.70 which was taken from Tucker on his arrest. No action was taken against Pykett after the court was told that customs and excise was seeking £194,000 from him in unpaid VAT.

"In cases such as this, it is often impossible to actually place one's hands on the moneys which people make", the judge said. Matthews was also ordered to pay £10,000 costs. He was the only one of the four against whom a costs order was made.

As he left the dock, Matthews shouted: "You didn't get my money". Detectives believe the amphetamine operation produced millions of pounds, However, they have been unable to find how the cash was salted away.

The four were convicted at the end of a 10-week trial last July by a jury which had been given around-the-clock police protection.

The court was told that detectives from No 9 Regional Crime Squad had mounted the operation and had kept the drugs laboratory under surveillance. Pykett began production in 1985 and used two other factories before he moved to Tidal Basin Road, Canning Town.

A sophisticated production line and supply network was set up to turn the drug into cash. Tucker was brought in to manufacture the drug and look after the day-to-day running of the factory.

The gang used bogus companies as a smokescreen for their trade. They claimed their business was the extraction of silver from photographic paper. This helped to explain the smell of drug production.

The police found drugs valued at £250,000 packed ready for distribution. They also seized chemical ingredients sufficient to make a ton of the pure drug valued at £1.5 million.

The squad also tracked two previous drugs factories used by the gang, in east London and in Essex.

The court was told that the gang had sent a scornful New Year greeting card to drug squad detectives, wishing them "good luck" and teasing them for failing to track the secret laboratory.

What the criminals did not know at the time was that they were being watched by another police unit who later arrested them.



Joseph Pykett, prime mover in the amphetamine scheme.



Stephen Tucker, in charge of day-to-day production.

Guyana veto

Greenville, South Carolina (AP) — Two Furman University swimmers, sons of a US missionary, have been rebuffed in their efforts to represent Guyana in Seoul. Dan and Mark Beatty, aged 22 and 19, were born in Guyana and raised money to participate. But a Guyanese official said that Guyana's economic problems had left an Olympic swimming team so low on its list of priorities that the fees to the IOC had not been paid.

Staff crisis puts babies at risk



Dr Graham Clayden, of St Thomas's Hospital, examining a baby in intensive care. Every week, several have to be turned away (Photograph: Graham Wood).

By Jill Sherman
Social Services Correspondent

One in five premature baby units has staffing shortages and 60 per cent of all neonatal equipment is supplied by charity, according to a survey published yesterday.

The study, by Bliss (the Baby Life Support Systems charity) shows that intensive care units and special care baby units have to turn away hundreds of ill babies every year because they do not have adequate facilities.

The responses from 50 of the country's 260 specialist care units support unpublished research undertaken by Professor Neil McIntosh, of Edinburgh University, showing that one premature baby in 10 was turned away from the units last year because of staff or facility shortages.

The regional intensive care unit at St George's Hospital, south London, said it refused admission to 300 babies in the past 12 months because it was understaffed by 33 per cent.

The special care baby unit at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, is equipped entirely by charitable donations and has a 35 per cent staffing shortfall. The unit rejects four babies a week.

Dr Graham Clayden, consultant paediatrician at St Thomas's Hospital in south London, said mothers were often transferred in premature labour from one hospital to another if there were no special cots available. "We have to turn away several babies a week because we do not have an empty cot. We try to transfer many of them to hospitals within London, but some have to go as far as Brighton or Southampton."

He said the babies were transferred in a special incubator with a highly skilled team, but such long journeys could still lead to chronic lung disease and cerebral palsy through brain damage.

St Thomas's has four intensive care cots and four high-dependency cots in a small room measuring no more than 6ft by 12ft. About 80 per cent of the equipment is funded by charity, but the unit still does not have enough machines to allow nurses to monitor oxygen levels and blood pressure effectively. "Too much oxygen can lead to blindness, too little can be fatal", Dr Clayden said.

Computer hacking

Views of public canvassed

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Law Commission is canvassing proposals to make computer hacking a criminal offence in a working paper published today.

Most other forms of computer misuse, such as fraud, are already covered by the law, the paper says, but hackers — "electronic peeping Toms" — are beyond it.

"Because we have no general law protecting secrets, a hacker at the moment commits no crime by seeing information that is not specially protected."

The commission is seeking public views on the issue, to be submitted by the end of February next year, and cites several arguments both in favour of making hacking illegal, and against.

In favour, it says computers are important for society as a whole. "If legitimate users fear that others might obtain unauthorized access to information, they may be inhibited from making full use of them."

Second, obtaining access to certain kinds of information held on computer — such as personal data — could be particularly damaging; hackers may also damage or destroy data files inadvertently.

However, in its arguments against, the commmission says hacking should be made illegal only where fraud is involved or damage is deliberately or recklessly caused. In both cases, present laws against theft, fraud and criminal damage are adequate.

Computer Misuse: Law Commission Working Paper No 110 (Stationery Office: £4.50).

● The Law Society has attacked proposals to deny legal aid for wills or conveyancing to the housebound, permanently hospitalized or visually handicapped.

The proposals, made by the Lord Chancellor's officials, are "confusing, inconsistent, unfair and generally unworkable", the society says.

Europe's top executives

Britain's élite prefers TV and whisky

By Ruth Gledhill

Women are making rapid inroads into the medical and legal professions across Europe but are falling short in business, management and manufacturing.

The United Kingdom has one of the lowest figures in Europe for women professionals and business executives, but more British women who qualify as part of the élite have become company chairmen, directors or senior managers.

One in five professionals and executives in Finland, Sweden and Norway are women, compared with one in 10 in the United Kingdom, Ireland and Switzerland.

Women, interviewed for the first time in the Pan European Survey on Europe's élite, made up 15 per cent of the sample.

● Fifty-six women process workers at a fish factory have won a two-year battle for equal pay. The case was taken up by the Transport and General Workers' Union when it was found that a male worker at Britfish, in Hull, was getting £4 a week more.

Britain's professionals and top executives are likely to be non-smoking men who drink whisky, watch television, own shares, drive a Ford company car and play squash, according to research published yesterday.

They own more video cassette recorders than their European counterparts and prefer to meet friends for a drink rather than go out for a meal or to the cinema, theatre or opera.

The researchers interviewed 8,604 professionals in 13 European countries for the fourth three-yearly Pan European Survey into the behaviour and lifestyle of Europe's élite. They are described as the opinion leaders; more than one in five had a book published and 17 per cent had been interviewed for press, radio or television.

The survey, by Research Services Ltd and sponsored by five companies including the *International Herald Tribune* and *Scientific American*, is intended for use by the European advertising industry and media.

The sample represents a total population of 5.4 million professionals and executives, the top 5 per cent of the population. It was limited to those who earn more than £19,000 a year, or who earn more than £13,000 and have a degree, or who have a postgraduate qualification and are in work.

English is the most commonly used second language. But the British make little or no effort to use other European languages, although they are best at talking to the East.

The survey showed that 64 per cent of French professionals, 69 per cent of German and 54 per cent of Spanish used English often, compared with 16 per cent of British who use French, 7 per cent German and just 3 per cent Spanish. But more people in Britain spoke fluent Chinese and Japanese.

Throughout Europe going to the cinema was the top leisure activity. But the Germans preferred opera, and the Danes theatre.

Nearly two-thirds of British executives had a video recorder. They watched more television than their European counterparts, with one in four watching at least 15 hours a week, more than double any other country. Nearly one in 10 Swiss did not watch television.

The Irish preferred to meet friends for a drink. The Scandinavians liked to go out jogging.

Nearly every élite home in Finland had a sauna. But only one in 200 British executives had a sauna and less than one in 100 a swimming pool.

Top executives tended to be patriotic car buyers. Britons bought Austin Rovers and Fords, Germans Mercedes, BMWs and Porsches, French Citroens and Peugeots, and the Italians Alfa Romeos and Fiats.

British executives have most company cars, at 39 per cent. In Germany, France and Italy, fewer than one in 10 has them and they are almost non-existent in Spain, France and Switzerland.

More British than anyone else drank whisky but fewer British smoked cigarettes.

Lawyers meet in Argentina

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

More than 150 lawyers — the largest British contingent to set foot in Argentina since the Falklands War — will join 2,000 others from 75 countries for the twenty-second conference of the International Bar Association, which opens in Buenos Aires on Sunday.

It is the first time that the conference, the biggest international forum of lawyers, has been held in South America; and the move is a deliberate gesture of support for the stated democratic ideals of the government of President Raul Alfonsin.

Human rights will be on the agenda and the Argentinians are expected to take the chance to put their case for rights of sovereignty to some of the world's top lawyers.

That topic will also be the subject of a speech by Dr José Ruda, President of the International Court of Justice at The Hague.

But debates will cover a huge range of topics from access to justice — on which Lord McCluskey, Judge of the Court of Session, Scotland, is giving a keynote address — to maritime and transport law, aeronautical law, banking, transnational claims, environmental law, insurance, labour law, computers, product liability, tourism and travel, and law on outer space.

In a session on Aids and the law Mr Nicholas Kearns, senior counsel in general practice in Dublin, will urge the association to adopt international guidelines for dealing with Aids in the workplace.

The main problem in organizing the conference has been that because a state of war still exists, all conference papers had to be mailed via Switzerland to avoid being impounded on arrival.

New rules on treatment for breast cancer

The Government yesterday announced new safeguards to stop women having a breast removed in cancer operations without their consent (Our Social Services Correspondent writes).

Mrs Edwina Currie, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Health, said that guidance for all operations would be clarified so that "there is no doubt that health professionals will be required to explain to those in their care what is proposed for them".

Cases had been reported where after an operation women had found their whole breast had been removed when they thought they were having a small lump excised.

Under the new guidance, which is being issued by the Department of Health for consultation today, patients would be told the full implication of the results of diagnostic tests before further treatment.

High-fliers insist on 'total package'

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

British companies are having to concentrate far more on offering a "total compensation package" to recruit and retain top executives and key personnel rather than merely enticing them with large increases in basic salary, according to a report published today.

It shows that a top-of-the-range Ford, most favoured by senior executives, is no longer enough to retain their services and that in large companies even the Daimlers and Jaguars driven by a third of chief executives, once regarded as a major perk, are not sufficient. As bonuses and pensions grow with the increasing size of the company the value of the car becomes less important.

Typically, the chief executive of a company with a £90 million turnover will receive a basic salary of £49,500 but his total compensation arrangements will work out at more than £70,000.

To remain competitive, companies increasingly are having to offer their directors benefits that include performance-related bonus payments, share options, flexible pension schemes, free health cover and additional fees.

The report, produced from a survey of 181 companies operating in the UK, shows that more than 50 per cent of chief executives work on profit-related bonuses which average about 30 per cent of their total pay. Although they tend to have lower basic salaries than their executives, who are paid discretionary bonuses, they are likely to have higher gross earnings.

Noble Lowndes Executive Compensation Consultants, of Croydon, south London, which conducted the survey, believes its reports, which will be updated every quarter, will enable companies to remain competitive, attract the best calibre of executives and retain and motivate their key people.

Almost as important, the survey will enable subscribing companies to ensure they are not being over-generous with their salaries and fringe benefits and will give them an edge in Europe when planning for expansion in 1992 after the creation of the single European market.

Too few qualified teachers

By David Tytler, Education Editor

Headmasters of Britain's top schools were told yesterday that the lack of properly qualified teachers would stop the country meeting the challenge of the introduction of the single-European market in 1992.

Mr David Smith, chairman of the Headmasters' Conference, told its annual meeting in Swansea: "There is too much evidence that the education system is not in good shape to meet this particular challenge."

Mr Smith, headmaster of Bradford Grammar School, said there had been a widespread failure to appreciate the demands which an advanced technological economy would make upon its young adults.

In the 1990s, when there would be a shortage of more than 4,000 physics and 12,000 mathematics teachers, the falling birth-rate would mean that there would be an increasing demand for properly-qualified young people.

The increasing number of girls attending predominantly male public schools should be given lessons in dress sense and instilled with the team spirit that leads men to form "the old-boy network", a management consultant told the conference.

Mrs Mary Weir said: "Schools should encourage girls to understand the importance of building networks."

Dress lessons would be helpful for girls so they could understand "the impact they have in the way they present themselves", she said.

Portfolio PLUS Accumulator

Mrs Margaret Dawson's legs were still trembling yesterday after she won a half share in the daily Portfolio prize of £4,000.

Mrs Dawson, aged 78, from Camberwell, south-east London, celebrated with a small dram of whisky and said: "I am absolutely delighted."

Mrs Dawson is a retired music teacher.

The other winner was Mr Roger Taylor, of Crowthorne, Berkshire.

Evicted student says his 'top-secret' work was sabotaged

By David Sapsted



Mr Bryan Sharpe, who says that a string of misfortunes held up work on his thesis, standing outside his home yesterday.

The mature student whose eviction from campus accommodation led to the principal and fellows of an Oxford college being fined £250 in court this week, yesterday denied that he had failed to do any work during almost five years of postgraduate studies.

However, Mr Brian Sharpe, aged 48, admitted that he had not produced any written work for his D Phil thesis between July 1983 and his eviction from rooms at Wolfson graduate college in May this year. He blamed the "defection" of his original professor to the US, a string of burglaries associated with the secretive nature of his research and harassment by the college authorities.

"It is quite outrageous to suggest I did no work. I was evicted three weeks before I was going to produce my thesis. When the college authorities changed the locks on my door they took 100 box files of my work", he said.

"I suppose they had to tell the court that I was no good because, otherwise, someone could have gone to prison for doing what they did to me. In fact, it is all a very smelly business: I was engaged in research in a very sensitive area connected with defence and someone, it seems, was trying to stop me."

Sir Raymond Hoffenberg, principal of Wolfson, and Mr Christopher Walton, the college bursar, admitted unlawfully depriving Mr Sharpe of his room, contrary to the Protection from Eviction Act 1977.

Yesterday, Sir Raymond called for changes in the law to make universities and colleges exempt from rules protecting tenants. He said: "Can you picture the situation where students, either having been sent down for academic failure as in the case of Mr Sharpe, or just finishing their degrees in the ordinary way, say 'I haven't got anywhere to live so I'll stay in college and wait for them to evict me'."

The college said in court on Monday that it had been proposed to expel Mr Sharpe for not producing any written work last year but, instead, it had agreed to allow him to stay on to read for an MSc. When his work proved unsatisfactory again, it was decided to evict him.

Mr Sharpe, a former scientific officer at the Harwell nuclear establishment, said: "They did it just three weeks before I was going to submit my thesis. My home had been burgled, my solicitor had been burgled and my rooms had been burgled, the thieves making off with the master disc and copy of the master disc of the work I had been doing.

" They tried to make it look like a student prank by spraying bath gels around the apartment. It was, in fact, a very professional job but the college even suggested I had burgled myself."

Mr Sharpe, who is separated from his wife, lives in Grove, near Wantage, Oxfordshire. He said he had invested most of his savings in his postgraduate course. "I had expected the work to take me two years. I was given an extension to continue and then the series of burglaries started. I cannot tell you what I was working on but it was to do with Sleep — silent low-energy electric power. It has considerable significance for our defence industries."



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SDP CONFERENCE

Members give the leadership a stark warning

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

The SDP yesterday endorsed their leader's strategy of practising multi-party politics, seeking deals with other parties and crusading for proportional representation.

But there were stark warnings from the conference floor in Torquay that the membership must be consulted over any future deals in a way they never were over the conclusion of the Alliance with the Liberals.

The conference came alive on the final day with its first real display of raw emotion, giving a standing ovation to Mr Don Austen, a docker and Greenwich councillor, who urged them to be resolved to fight alone and to fight everywhere for as long as it took to bring the SLD and other potential partners to the negotiating table.

They cheered him when he said that they had to prove they had the stomach for the fight, and to carry on and see what turned up, and that it must be the SLD that approached them in the end, rather than them approaching the SLD.

Mr Austen said: "There is much warfare to be done before the negotiating table is reached". He was applauded when he added: "The individuality of the SDP must never be diluted again".

From the platform, Mr Mike Thomas, a party vice-president, issued a direct warning to SLD leader, Mr Paddy Ashdown, saying: "If you force us to fight, fight we will".

Mr Thomas said that multi-party politics meant co-operation and competition. "There is nothing dishonourable about simply agreeing not to cut each other's throats". He added: "The county council and European elections are too important to be thrown away in macho remarks in radio interviews".

In a debate that vented some of the SDP anger about those who had left for the SLD and which said more about where the party wants to go than how they hope to get there, Mr Austen hit at the former SDP president, Mrs Shirley Williams, saying that the party must go after "gut votes in inner cities" instead of "cerebral votes" in areas such Cambridge.

"Where did it state in the Limehouse Declaration: if all else fails go off and join the Liberals?"

The conference passed a motion reaffirming its support for multi-party politics and insisting that the public would be persuaded of their merit only "by those who promote inter-party co-operation before as well as after the introduction of a fair voting system".

The motion said that the SDP should seek to negotiate pacts or arrangements to help to secure the balance of power and a referendum on proportional representation. And it laid down that the national committee should conclude any such pacts only with the agreement of the 400-member Council for Social Democracy.

Calls for any such deals to be referred to a ballot of the membership were defeated.

Mr Trevor Lindley, from Bradford, insisted that the party was not "the property of any one individual or group" and that the members must be properly consulted before any deals. He and others like him had sought to warn members in the old party of the slide to merger, but had been told not to rock the boat. The result had been "the political crime of the century".

Though he trusted the present leadership, Dr Owen would not always be leader and the national committee could be wrong. "We may know something they don't." There was consultation and consultation: "There will be some very violent boat-rocking indeed" if it was not enough.

In the debate, several speakers underlined the new freedom the SDP possessed now that it had been pared down to a band of true friends. Miss Diana Perkin, from Birmingham, said: "We are leaner and clearer. Our fetters, our shackles have dropped. For the first time we were able to vote unanimously on our defence policy – and wasn't David pleased."

The SDP, Mr Tom Hayhoe, from Hammersmith, said, was now a party of veterans bloodied by their campaigns. They were real friends as people in other parties were not and that gave them a coherence.

There was prolonged applause for Mr Alistair Dunn, from Northern Ireland, who said that in Ulster democracy was a sham and appealed for the SDP to field candidates there.

People there, he said, could not join the Labour or Conservative parties and were second-class citizens. There should not be peculiar and different laws for Northern Ireland; the law should be universal.

For the policy committee, Mr Thomas, said that the party had to be a great deal stronger before it could contemplate putting up candidates there.

He declared the conference "spectacularly successful" and said that there would be a ninth SDP conference the next year and a tenth the year after. But he said that they needed more members and more money.

The party president, Mr John Cartwright, predicted that the SLD would be doing deals with the SDP by the time of next May's council elections.

"I do not believe that the SLD in many parts of the country is going to be prepared to throw away what are joint Alliance groups and in some cases Alliance control of county councils simply by fighting each other", he said on BBC radio's *Today* programme.



Mrs Rosie Barnes and Dr David Owen (centre) applauding Mr John Cartwright at the end of his speech yesterday (Photograph: Harry Kerr)

Party keeps its spirits up

If the SDP's appeal for the moment is an appeal in miniature, like the pottery people bring home from the seaside, it did at least keep the shape of a national party at its conference in Torquay this week (our Political Editor writes).

As the party refined its policies around a core of strong defence, voting reform and the social market there were several defeats for the platform, showing that the delegates were not prepared to be pushed too far too quickly and that some retain fears of Dr David Owen making them look like pale Thatcherites.

Though there is no sign of proportional representation nosing into Labour's agenda, Dr Owen cleverly exploited his relations with other parties to draw maximum attention to the notion of the multi-party politics on which the SDP now relies, and countered the accusations of right-wing drift with a more conciliatory tone towards Labour.

But although the SDP has surmounted its first hurdle, to the members' own obvious relief, momentum will be a problem.

Only 270 of the 400-strong Council for Social Democracy turned up, there were few young people in view and a financial crisis looms.

The SDP's rich backers act only on a reciprocal basis. The wildest dream is that of doubling the number of MPs to six at the next election and there is no indication yet that what Dr Owen calls the "politics of reality" on electoral deals is making much headway in the SLD.

Electoral pact 'is unlikely'

By Our Political Reporter

Grassroots SDP members see scant chance of putting together before the next general election the sort of anti-Thatcher coalition of Opposition parties envisaged by their leader, Dr David Owen.

Little more than a third see any possibility of an electoral agreement with their former colleagues in the Social and Liberal Democrats in this Parliament.

Fewer than one in five think that an electoral agreement could be reached with Labour, according to a straw poll by *The Times* of 100 members at the SDP's conference in Torquay.

But they do believe that a fourth Conservative election victory would much increase the likelihood of such a coalition.

The findings, though only a rough guide, also undermine the notion that the party is moving rightwards and that it is a "David Owen fan club". Indeed, the overwhelming majority said that the party would continue even without Dr Owen; just six cited him as the party's greatest selling point.

The results show that 54 per cent thought that some sort of electoral agreement might be reached with Labour after a fourth Tory election victory, compared to just 18 per cent who believed it possible in this Parliament. Sixty-nine per cent saw no chance of joining forces with Labour before the next election; only 15 per cent ruled it out after another Labour defeat.

Cartwright hesitant on coalition

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

Mr John Cartwright, the SDP president, appeared yesterday to back away from the idea of an anti-Thatcher coalition of opposition parties that his party leader, Dr David Owen, had called for the previous day.

In his closing speech to the conference at Torquay, Mr Cartwright did not once mention the coalition idea. Instead, he attacked Labour and the Conservatives with equal force, emphasized the improbability of Labour ever reforming itself, and appealed for the two feuding centre parties to work once again together.

A source close to Mr Cartwright acknowledged that there was a "difference of emphasis" between the two men's speeches, and pointed out that the

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"downside" for the SDP, of Labour embracing moderation, would mean the squeezing of the present centre parties.

Mr Cartwright would face particular problems in his own Woolwich constituency where a left-wing Labour Party is his principal enemy and threat.

Whereas Dr Owen has been noticeably more conciliatory towards Labour in recent days, Mr Cartwright was uncompromising yesterday in his attack on what he called "the party of yesteryear".

He acknowledged that some people in the Labour Party now recognized that it would have to abandon unilateralism, free itself from the trade unions and embrace market economics if it was ever to win another election.

But, referring directly to Dr Owen's suggestion that a fourth election defeat could inspire such changes, he continued: "He and I, and many of you, know how difficult it is to reform the Labour Party. After all, we devoted a great deal of time and effort in the 1970s to just that objective."

In a speech that received a standing ovation, Mr Cartwright said that the real challenge and opportunity for the two centre parties was whether, faced with an uncaring Government and a Labour Party in "possibly terminal" decline, they could put together "a political vision that will offer people an alternative they can trust".

Claiming that the continuing SDP had proved itself to be a "serious and credible political party", he said that the SLD had to recognize that it was not going to fade away and should act accordingly. The two parties had to stop fighting each other if they were not both to be harmed in elections.

Mr Cartwright accused the Government of "glorying in injustice", saying it "abhors redistribution" and "promotes inequality". The duke and the dustman would pay the same poll tax. The Budget was a "positive hymn to inequality". Its record on social justice and lack of concern for the poor was shameful.

Thatcher attacked on EMS 'damage'

Mrs Thatcher in Bruges was trying to marginalize British involvement in economic decisions to be taken in Europe, Mr David Astor, of the policy committee, told the conference.

That was precisely the opposite position from that which a British prime minister should be taking, he said during a debate on European policy.

The conference unanimously endorsed SDP proposals calling for a wholehearted commitment to European unity.

Mr Astor said of Mrs Thatcher: "Her obstinate refusal to join the European Monetary System is doing us nothing but damage and is helping to destabilize the currency. Worse than that is her almost incredible refusal to get involved in the European central bank."

Mr Joe Binns, of Birmingham, said that the Prime Minister was on trial during her visit to Bruges. The City of

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London had put her in the dock. It wanted her to do a U-turn and join the EMS and negotiatiate the forming of a European bank. The future of the City was at stake.

Lord Kennet, successfully moving the motion to accept the SDP white paper on Europe, supported a referendum on proportional representation. He said that a case could be made out to take the Government to court for breaking the Treaty of Rome.

The treaty said that the various institutions of the Community "shall" play their part in getting a unified European electoral system. But they all knew that the British Government prevented the Council of Ministers from getting that system under the treaty.

Working group to study crime

The SDP working party on crime and policing is to study the whole question of crime and violence after the remission yesterday of two motions on the subject.

Mr Lutfe Kamal, for the policy committee, said that there would also be a careful look at whether the alcohol limit in drink-driving offences should be lowered.

Miss Bridie Gaskin, of Manchester, moved a motion calling for a Minister for the Family and a code of practice to limit gratuitous violence on television.

She said that there had been a 16 per cent rise in violent crime in the past year and a 17 per cent rise in rape.

It was wrong of the press to refer to people as "oily dagos", which was the verbal equivalent of the same thuggery in which hooligans indulged (applause).

VIOLENCE

It was journalistic thuggery.

A motion calling for "more bobbies on the beat" and urging legislation to control the sale of alcohol from off-licences and supermarkets was also moved.

Mr Derrick Fysh, Wolverhampton, said that crime and violence should not be separated. Did the victim of the break-in feel any better when that was not violent?

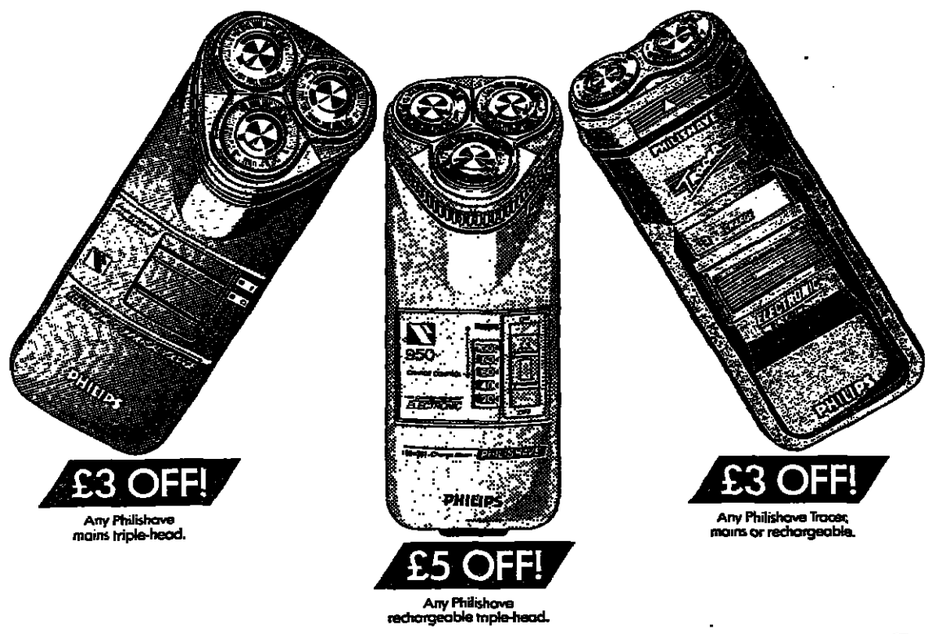
They had two motions that did not look at direct ways of dealing with those two blots on our civilization.

Miss Sue Davis, Mercia, a social worker, said that the first motion did not go to the heart of the problem of violence in society.

They must look at prevention of crime, rather than curing it.

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Party prepares for the future

Gang of three no longer enough

By Our Political Editor

If the SDP is to have any future as a political party, it has to bring on a new set of personalities to supplement the three MPs, David Owen, John Cartwright and Rosie Barnes.

There are, of course, active former MPs such as Mike Thomas, chairman of the SDP organization committee since 1981 and prospective candidate for Exeter, John Grant, who walked out of the merger negotiations, and the lawyer, Edward Lyons.

But, if the SDP prospers, newer figures likely to make their names include the two now elected with Mr Thomas as vice presidents of the party, Rosemary Brownlow and Ian Wright.

Miss Brownlow, a deputy headmistress, failed to win Blyth Valley at the last election by fewer than 900 votes and is a councillor in Cramlington, near Newcastle upon Tyne.

She was one of those active in last year's "Grassroots Uprising" that persuaded Dr Owen to seek to maintain a separate SDP when merger negotiations with the Liberals were agreed and she is part of a prominent and vocal pocket of Owenites in the North-east.

That pocket includes Joan Phylacton, a member of the policy-making Council for Social Democracy since 1982, a polytechnic lecturer and SDP candidate for Wallsend at two elections, who was re-elected as a North Tyneside councillor in May.

Mr Wright, an SDP party apparatchik from the early days, who bluntly told a fringe meeting on Saturday that 14 of every 15 Social Democrats hadn't a clue what the "social market" was, is a star of late-night SDP cabarets. There will be times when they need his stand-up comic skills. Described by colleagues as "a yuppie and a gent", he is tipped to be the by-election candidate in Epping Forest.

Among the SDP's chief hopes as parliamentary candidates are David Astor, Mick Wilkes and David Hyams.

Mr Astor, aged 45, a cigar-smoking farmer and investment manager, is also chairman of the Council for the Protection of Rural England. He has been re-adopted to fight Plymouth Drake, where he cut the Tory majority from 22 per cent to 8 per cent last year.

Mr Wilkes won his Birmingham council seat in May with a majority of 3,500, more than many MPs enjoy. A grafter, well dug into his local territory, he is regarded as in the same category as Mike Hancock, the popular Portsmouth councillor who won a by-election for the SDP against the odds in the last Parliament.

Mr Hyams is leader of the SDP on Islington council, London, where they have their biggest council group in the country. "If anybody can make a breakthrough for us in pavement politics", one senior SDP figure said, "then it will be David Hyams or Mick Wilkes."

Sue Stapeley, a solicitor and candidate in Surrey last year, who rescued the conference from shame by filling the breach when they ran out of speakers in the debate on the legal system, is another for whom they have big hopes.

Among the younger stars is Danny Finkelstein, the journalist who fought Kenneth Livingstone last time in Brent. Now, at 25, moving out of the SDP's somewhat scanty youth network, he was a contributor to Dr Owen's election-time efforts and brought the house down with a "sludge and mudge" name-dropping pastiche of an Owen speech at the Torquay cabaret. He has been engaged in the past year putting together the SDP policy on tackling poverty.

Also behind the speech take-off was Andrew Cooper, now the key man in the Owen office and chief policy co-ordinator. According to one SDP insider: "Those who want to get things done in the SDP go to a certain David Owen, who is rumoured to have some influence with Andrew Cooper".

Among the pitifully small central staff, Fiona Wilson is the first woman chief executive of a national party, having led her entire fund-raising section across from the old pro-merger SDP headquarters in Cowley Street to Buckingham Gate.

Once the deputy director of appeals for Dr Barnardo's, she has just announced her engagement to the party's computer consultant, Mr Daniel Macpherson-Mulcahy.

The bespectacled, chubby Chris Hopson, formerly the full-time agent in Bath, the first chairman of the SDP Agents' Association and the energetic agent in the recent Kensington by-election, is the new-technology enthusiast who has taken over as campaigns and elections organizer.

Another key man behind the scenes is Martin Stott, once the education officer at the National Union of Students and for the past four years right-hand man to John Cartwright. They would probably give him a grand title now that he is working for the party president were not the modest Stott inclined to regard most of the possibles as too pompous.

One of the party's business benefactors who is tipped to take on an ever-increasing political role is John Boyle, chairman of Falcon Travel. Still in his mid-thirties, he fought Clydesdale at the last election.



The familiar and the new: Mike Thomas (left), party vice-president; Joan Phylacton, a prominent Owenite; and John Boyle, tipped for new role (Photographs: Harry Kerr)

Local police officer 'failed to spot IRA terrorists at border'

GIBRALTAR INQUEST

A Gibraltar special branch constable failed to spot the three IRA terrorists, who were shot dead later by the SAS, as they passed through the Spanish border, the inquest into the shootings was told yesterday.

Det Constable Charles Huart sat for more than seven hours on the Spanish side of the border in front of a closed-circuit television screen with a Spanish immigration officer, the inquest was told.

However, he had failed to spot Mairead Farrell and Danny McCann walk through the border or see Sean Savage drive through in a white Renault.

The inquest was told that images of passport photographs and numbers taken from people crossing the border were shown on the screen. Car registration numbers were passed to him by the Spanish officer, who was in contact by telephone with his colleagues watching the cars go through.

Mr Huart said he was instructed to watch for two males and a female, who were named as Savage, McCann and Farrell.

Mr Felix Pizzarello, the coroner, asked: "Were the Spanish immigration officers aware who you were looking for?" Mr Huart: "Yes". Coroner: "You had made them aware or they already knew?" Mr Huart: "I believe they already knew and they had photographs of these persons".

He said he passed information on passports and registration numbers given to him by the Spanish by radio to the operations room, where he believed the Gibraltar Police Commissioner was.

He said he stayed in the room until 3.15pm when he was instructed to return to Gibraltar because the trio had been seen there. The coroner asked if that was the first indication that the three suspects were in Gibraltar. Mr Huart said: "That is the first time I heard it".

He had returned to Gibraltar by motorcycle and had found himself at the head of traffic on Smith Dorrien Avenue, only feet from the three terrorists.

He said he recognized them without difficulty. He saw McCann and Farrell carrying newspapers, which they exchanged. Then Savage walked away from them.

He had then seen a police car parked in traffic and at the same time had heard a siren and shots coming from the direction of a petrol station. By the time he reached the scene, he saw McCann and Farrell on the ground. He saw the three officers, P, Q and R.



Mr Victor Adams, who gave evidence yesterday.

McCann's head was up against the wall with his feet towards the road. Farrell was lying in the opposite direction. He thought her handbag was open. Cartridges were scattered around, but he did not touch them.

Mr Huart said he took two blankets from people living near the scene of the shootings. One came from a Mr Douglas Celecia, who had been taking photographs, and another was from an off-duty police officer.

He put the blankets over the bodies of McCann and Farrell. He did not go to the scene of Savage's killing.

Cross-examined by Mr Patrick McGrory, for the families of the IRA agents, Mr Huart denied knowing the aliases under which the three were travelling.

He said names had been "mentioned". He admitted he had "come across" the name Coyne, which was used in a passport found on Savage. However, he "could not remember" whether he had a number of aliases which he was to look out for.

Mr McGrory: "You surprise me, detective constable. Why should you forget a vital matter like that? There was not much point in you looking for these people if you didn't know what names they were travelling under."

Mr Huart said he and the Spanish officers were not looking for a specific car. "We knew they were coming by car. The three would be coming in one car, but I was not aware of the registration number", he said.

Earlier, a British holidaymaker told the inquest that he was hit by a stray bullet when the terrorists were shot on March 6.

Mr Victor Adamssaid he was walking with his wife Sheila from the Spanish border into Gibraltar when he heard a police siren followed by what he thought were fireworks. "I saw an object which I would describe as a yellowish, orangeish object coming towards me", he said.

"Suddenly — don't ask me why — I realized immediately that it was either a bullet or a ricochet from a bullet that was actually coming towards me. It hit me. The only damage was just a small graze."

The coroner asked: "Did it hurt?" Mr Adams: "It did, yes. Immediately I realized what was happening. I shouted to my wife, 'It's for real, get out of the way'. There seemed to be people converging from all directions, which more or less indicated that things were over."

"We didn't really see any policemen. It was all people in plain clothes. They were just massing all over", he said.

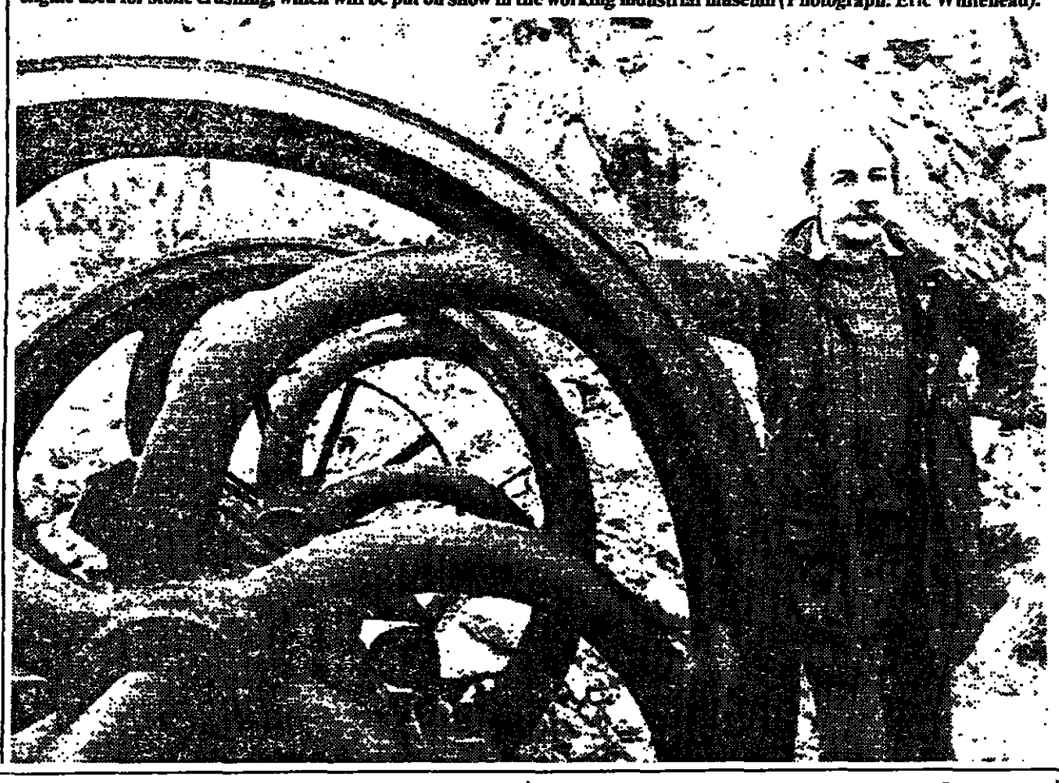
Mr Adams said he did not get immediate treatment for his injury. "It didn't seem particularly bad, but progressively during the Sunday I had an enormous bruising with a big lump in the middle."

The hearing continues today.

A dead quarry's new life for the North



Face workers: Employees of the company that was to become ARC, pictured (above) in Threlkeld Quarry at the turn of the century. (Below) Mr Ian Hartland, a member of the Lakeland Mines and Quarries Trust, with a "Crossley" c. 1900 gas engine used for stone crushing, which will be put on show in the working industrial museum (Photograph: Eric Whitehead).



By Ronald Faux

A quarry whose granite once paved the mill towns of the North and provided the foundations for the region's motorway system is about to offer one last service to the community.

Threlkeld Quarry, near Keswick, Cumbria, is worked-out, the hundreds of local jobs it provided have gone and the workings are a 70-acre blot on the Lake District National Park landscape. However, the quarry's owner, ARC Ltd — a subsidiary of Consolidated Goldfields — is seeking to develop the site in a £1 million scheme which offers a solution to the local shortage of jobs, affordable housing and tourists.

The plan includes small workshops which will provide jobs and teach new skills, a housing association offering homes to young couples barred from the market by the soaring price of rural property, and a working industrial museum operated by the Lakeland Mines and Quarries Trust.

Out of deference to what the quarry has already given the community, Mr John Dunning, chairman of the Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency, prefers to regard what remains as an honourable mark that has already started to dissolve into the landscape.

"It is right that there should be a reminder of what quarrying has meant to this region", he said. "A musem would help to redirect visitors from over-crowded areas around Windermere and Bowness to this part which is equally beautiful, but sadly lacks what you might call positive attractions."

The enterprise agency would manage the workshops and aim to attract small businesses. The renovation period would be used to train long-term local unemployed in construction skills.

The Threlkeld project is now before the Lake District Special Planning Board. If agreed, it could start early next year. It is one of several ARC community projects in which the company has invested about £250,000. An exhausted ARC quarry at Tythering ton, Bristol, was turned into a training centre where some 130 long-term unemployed were taught how to renovate old buses which were offered at low cost to charities.

Mr Patrick Hollerhead, ARC community projects manager, said the success of that scheme could well be repeated in the Lake District, providing young people with a home and a job.

EEC delays lead-free fuel switch

By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

EEC rules are holding up moves by Vauxhall to be the first big manufacturer to offer only "unleaded petrol" cars in Britain.

In spite of intervention by Government departments the company must resubmit all its engines for new emission tests which would take six months and cost more than £100,000. The engines were designed to run on unleaded petrol but the original emission tests were carried out only on engines adjusted for leaded fuel.

The Government has extended the official type approval requirements for engines running on unleaded petrol, but only if they are built in Britain.

The EEC legislation prevents engines being adjusted to run on lower octane unleaded petrol during production, but the cumbersome rules can be got round by dealers making the adjustment to new cars before delivery to customers. Vauxhall is considering instructing dealers to do so.

Many large fleet car buyers including Abbey National, Boots, Tesco and the Woolwich Building Society will buy only "unleaded petrol" cars. By the end of the year 3,000 stations will sell unleaded petrol.

● Special locks and coded anti-theft radios are estimated to have cut break-ins and car radio thefts by 60 per cent in the past 18 months.

Police superintendents' conference

Weed out poor officers, says Hurd

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, told senior policemen yesterday that lazy or incompetent police officers should be dismissed.

"There is no place for the person who makes no positive contribution to the job", he said.

New rules were being considered which could in future "dispense with the services" of officers who fail to come up to standard. What would be a significant change is before the Police Advisory Board, which includes representatives of staff associations and local authorities.

At present once an officer has completed his probationary service, no matter how poor his standard of performance may be, he can be dismissed only if he commits a sufficiently serious offence under the discipline code.

Mr Hurd told the Police Superintendents' Association annual conference in Blackpool, that he did not think that position could be justified.

"Unfortunately within any organization you get a few people who do not measure up to the demands of the job. Sometimes it is their own fault — they have the basic ability but because they are lazy or careless they cannot be relied upon. Sometimes they are not to blame — they try very hard but they cannot achieve the required standard."

These defects could not always be identified during the probationary period, he said. Most organizations had arrangements, subject to suitable safeguards, to dispense with the services of employees who consistently under-achieved.

The police service was an exception.

In a service which prided itself on its professionalism and which was so severely stretched, there was no place for the person who made no positive contribution to the job. But Mr Hurd said any change would need to be thoroughly studied and consulted on.

The Police Federation, representing rank-and-file officers, and the Police Superintendents' Association opposed the Home Secretary's move.

Mr Alan Eastwood, chairman of the Police Federation, said afterwards: "We are against this backdoor method of dismissal.

"We have no brief for lazy police officers. But if they can't be dealt with under our disciplinary code which covers every eventuality, then that is a failure of management.

"Under this scheme, it could be a case of if your face doesn't fit then you are out."

The annual report of the association says: "The whole essence of a constable's role is designed to protect him from 'political' and other pressures.

Thus a police officer is a constable, not an employee of the local authority, but an officer having authority under the Crown."

In his address to the conference, Chief Supt Don Grieve, association president, backed national identity cards as a means of curbing offences such as under-age drinking.

Theft clue to killer of Crufts judge

By Mark Ellis

Murder squad detectives believe three antique bronze figures of sporting dogs could help them to trace the killer of Mrs Joan Macan, a wartime heroine and Crufts judge.

An inquest at Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, was told yesterday that Mrs Macan, a widow, died from severe head injuries after disturbing burglars when she returned to her isolated Hertfordshire home on her eighty-first birthday in May.

The bronzes, which were among 26 small items including silver snuff boxes and clocks stolen from her home in Ashridge Park, near Aldbury, would be easily identified by antique dealers as limited edition nineteenth-century French studies. Mrs Macan, a breeder, exhibitor and Crufts judge of labrador retrievers, is believed to have been killed by amateur burglars who panicked when she returned home in the early hours from a dog breeders' meeting in Surrey.

In spite of trying to ward off the blows, the inquest heard that she suffered numerous head wounds inflicted by an axe or a poker.

Mr George Bateson, the coroner, Hemel Hempstead, recorded a verdict of death by unlawful killing caused by severe head inquiries.

During the war she trained with the Secret Service. She was given a German identity and worked in occupied France with the French resistance.

Hayward's uncle sent to prison

An uncle of Captain Simon Hayward, the Life Guards officer imprisoned in Sweden for drug smuggling, was jailed for 18 months yesterday for masterminding an elaborate traveller's cheque fraud.

Michael Matthews, married to a sister of Hayward's mother, defrauded American Express out of £126,000.

At Southwark Crown Court, south London, Judge Callman described Matthews, aged 60, as the general behind the scheme who used his two children — Captain Hayward's cousins — as "foot soldiers".

Earlier the court was told that the embezzlement started when Matthews took over a bureau de change kiosk and employed his son, Roderick, aged 25, and daughter, Mrs Penelope-Jane Rowlandson, aged 37, both of Hasker Street, Chelsea.

Matthews bought traveller's cheques from American Express but cashed them instead of selling them to customers. Almost £5 million worth were bought and £126,000 in dishonest cheques went through the system between 1985 and 1987.

Matthews, of Chertsey, Surrey, was ordered to pay £2,500 costs. His son was sentenced to 18 months suspended for two years.

Both father and son had pleaded guilty to conspiring to obtain money by deception. A plea of not guilty to the same charge against Mrs Rowlandson was accepted by the prosecution

Government urged to think again over child gamblers

By Andrew Morgan

The Home Office was yesterday accused of complacency over the use of gambling machines among schoolchildren after a local authorities group published the results of a nationwide survey which claim the problem is more deep-rooted than the Government admits.

The National Housing and Town Planning Council challenged the Home Office's recent decision not to increase the age limit for using gambling machines to 18 on the grounds that its research showed no evidence of problems. In a sample of 10,000 children, the council found about two thirds of those aged 13-16 gambled, almost twice as many as in the Home Office survey of 2,000.

The council found that 14 per cent of its sample gambled at least once a week. Nearly one tenth gambled at least twice a week and 7 per cent admitted to stealing to fuel their habit. Some 35 per cent had borrowed to gamble, 17 per cent had used lunch money and 6 per cent played truant to use machines.

Of those who gambled, just under half spent more than £1 a time and 8 per cent spent more than £3. The Home Office said that less than half of 1 per cent of child gamblers were potentially addictive but the council estimates the figure could be 15 times higher.

The council's report was published at a seminar in west London attended by councillors, officers, youth workers and betting association representatives. Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office, declined to attend.

The council was last night sending a copy of the report to ministers and considering moves for a private member's Bill. The council wants gambling machines to be restricted to premises controlled under gaming legislation (casinos and betting shops) or alcohol laws (public houses and clubs).

Mr Ray Walker, council director, said: "Our findings clearly indicate that regular gambling is associated with heavy spending and a tendency towards deviant behaviour. We want the Home Office to reconsider urgently its position in the light of the research evidence."

He suggested that Home Office apathy was the result of officials wanting "an easy life" and Treasury fears of losing out on taxation if the age limit were raised. "Even on Government figures, 150,000 young people are seriously in danger of becoming addicted to gambling."

However, Mr Alan Willis, general secretary of the British Amusement Arcade Catering Trades Association, said questions in the council's survey were loaded and he reiterated his faith in the reports of the Home Office and the Gaming Board.

Gambling Machines and Young People (National Housing and Town Planning Council, 14-18 Old Street, London EC1 9AB).

Seal epidemic

Expert doubts value of vaccine

By David Nicholson-Lord

Up to 20,000 of Britain's 25,000 common seals are likely to die in the epidemic which has devastated North Sea seal populations since April and a vaccine is unlikely to solve the problem, it was disclosed yesterday.

Dr John Harwood, head of the Sea Mammal Research Unit at Cambridge University, said he doubted whether a vaccine being developed in The Netherlands would be of use except with smaller, isolated groups of seals which were of conservation or tourist value. So far more than 12,000 seals have died in Europe — 1,300 around British shores.

"It is impossible to protect the whole population", he said. "The virus is everywhere in the country so it is too late to go out and vaccinate a large proportion of our seal population. It may well be that there is no circumstance in which a vaccine will be of help now."

Catching or netting seals to inoculate them might also subject them to damaging levels of stress, he said. Attempts to vaccinate the pups of grey seals, now beginning their breeding season, could disrupt the mother-pup bond, leading to pups being deserted and starving to death.

Dr Harwood was speaking at Whipsnade Park Zoo, Bedfordshire, where Unisys, the computer company, presented his unit with a £50,000 computer and software to analyse seal movements and predict the success of vaccination.

Experts fighting the epidemic decided at an emergency meeting last week in Amsterdam to test an experimental "one-shot" vaccine as the chances of being able to inoculate a wild seal twice in a four-week period, in line with orthodox programmes, are remote. But a single shot will almost certainly provide lower protection.

Scientists expect about only 20 per cent of common seals to survive. However, there is more optimism about Britain's much larger grey seal population which has shown signs of greater resistance to the canine distemper virus causing the epidemic.

Woman's father finds Kenyan trail to tragedy

By Michael Horsnell

A tragic chain of events left a British woman alone on a photographic trip in the African bush where she was believed to have been murdered, her father told *The Times* yesterday as new details of her death emerged.

Mr John Ward, managing director of the Butterfly Hotels group, was speaking before returning to Kenya to meet detectives investigating the final hours of his daughter Julie, aged 28, whose charred remains were found in a game reserve last week.

Mr Ward explained how her Jeep broke down, forcing Miss Ward to separate from her companion, an Australian, two days before she died. Her four-wheel drive vehicle was found stuck in a gully from which she set off on foot to seek safety. But, before that, it had broken down and needed a new petrol pump to be flown from Nairobi.

The delay of up to two days forced her companion to leave for Nairobi by plane from one of the many airstrips in the area while Miss Ward drove back alone.

Her father plans to have the remains buried in Kenya.

Police Commissioner Philip Kilonzo told *The Times* from Nairobi yesterday that friends of the dead girl are being interviewed.

"We are keeping an open mind and looking into all possibilities. It is very complicated", he said.

Press Council

Chairman attacks intrusion

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

The outgoing chairman of the Press Council has made a new call for a law to protect individuals' privacy from unwarranted intrusion by newspapers.

Sir Zelman Cowen, who retires at the end of next month, says he is sometimes "sick at heart when I read yet another revelation which exposes people to great hurt — people who themselves are not sinners".

He adds: "That is why I, a supporter of the Press Council system, believe the Younger Committee was wrong and that there is a good case for statutory protection for privacy".

Sir Zelman's comments are contained in the latest edition of *Newstime*, published by the Newspaper Society which represents the provincial press.

"The judgement of the Press Council on issues of 'public interest' in privacy cases is no better or worse, and certainly no easier to make, than that of a court, and if papers will go on in this way, they should be made to answer for it, by the law of the land", he said.

Over the past 20 years the section of the press which has breached privacy "has learnt nothing, and it must be that it wishes to learn nothing".

Sir Zelman, who will be succeeded next January by Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, has presided over the Press Council at a time when it has been the subject of growing criticism. But he defends the council's work and expresses his disgust at "ignorant abuse of the Press Council and its processes".

"I do not believe that, in the terms of a threat of a new coercive regime for the press, it is five minutes to midnight, though I do believe that much of what has been published in recent months by those who say that they don't want such a regime, makes it more likely that it may come about".

If a voluntary regulatory system is to continue newspaper owners must accept "full obedience to the rules".

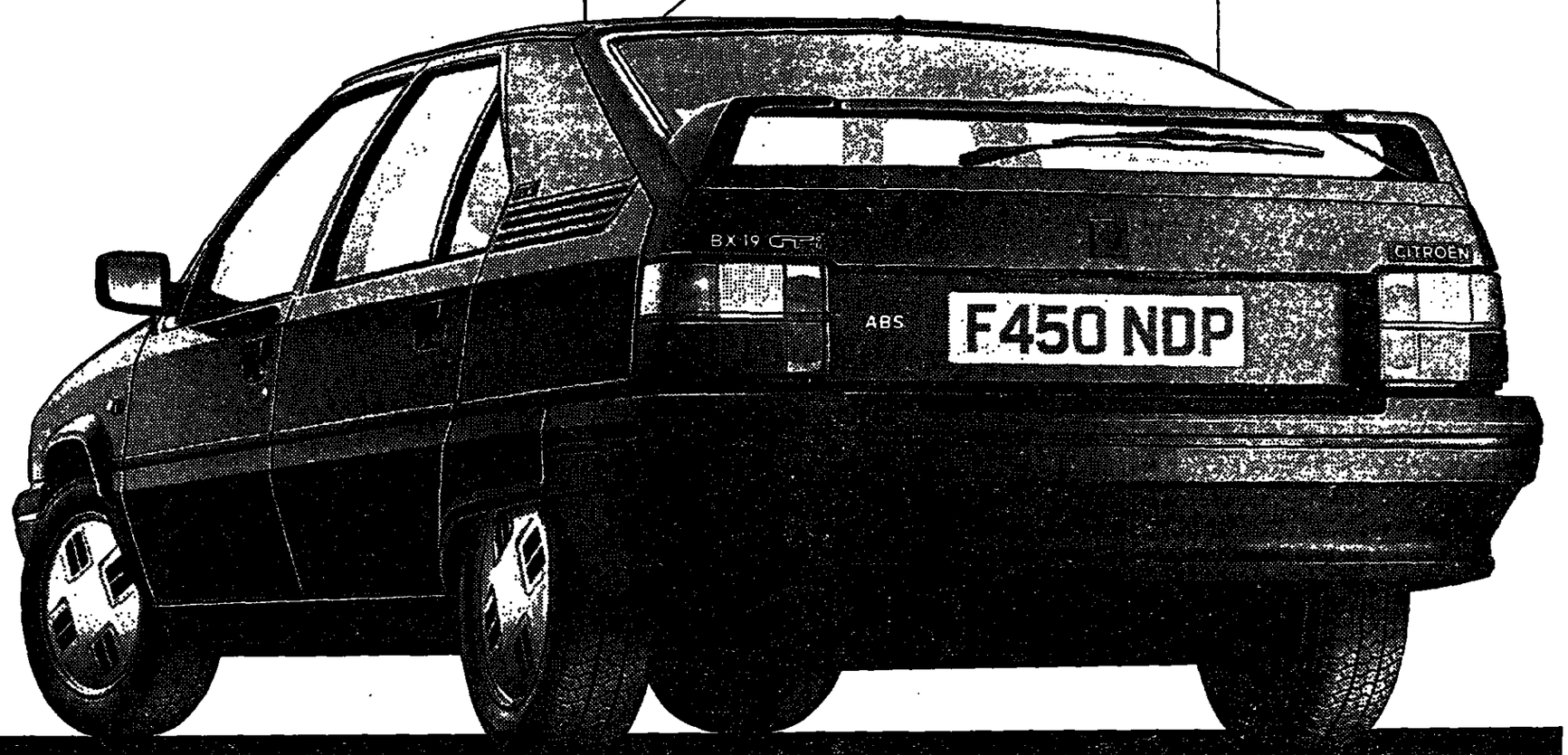
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The challenge of Europe: The Times talks to Felipe González

Dynamic 'Felipismo' to greet its admired model

From Philip Jacobson, Madrid

Ask Señor Felipe González how he would sum up the Spain that awaits Mrs Thatcher when she arrives in Madrid this evening, and he pauses thoughtfully before replying. A dynamic society still in the process of dramatic change, he suggests, still in the process of responding to "an explosion of internal freedom" that has inevitably thrown up its fair share of social tensions. "Let me put it this way. For the first time in many decades, Spain feels it has a future."

That should be music to Mrs Thatcher's radical ear, and the Spanish Prime Minister's evident respect for the unstoppable *Dama de Hierro* (Iron Lady) will ensure a good start to their talks. But as Señor González made clear in an interview with *The Times* earlier this week, there are issues over which sparks could still fly.

In the course of an hour's relaxed conversation in the splendid Hall of Columns at the Moncloa Palace, Señor González indicated that Gibraltar would certainly continue to "perturb" relations with Britain. "The UK exercises sovereignty, Spain claims sovereignty," he said, and it was pointless to ignore this fundamental disagreement.

Thanks to their good working relationship, he and Mrs Thatcher had earlier this year already initiated contacts which had led to their understanding that "everything is up for discussion".

In Señor González's view, the status of Gibraltar – "the pebble in every Spanish leader's shoe" – constitutes a permanent "structural problem" for Spain but surfaces only periodically on the British political scene.

Between these two positions, he noted, there is "a relatively recent British policy norm according to which the desires and wishes of the Gibraltar people must be respected in any solution." His Government, one gathered, does not regard this as politically or judicially sound. "Sovereignty is British, not Gibraltarian."

What about Spain's half-in, half-out posture on Nato, steering clear of the integrated military command but still accommodating United States combat troops on its soil? "Decaffeinated Nato" say the jokers, and to Mrs Thatcher it may well smack of a dismaying lack of belief in her cherished Atlantic Alliance, an unwelcome reminder of the sharp anti-Americanism that persists among the great Spaniards who do not wish to forget Uncle Sam's role in sustaining General Franco.

"I don't think that will cause any friction between us," Señor González asserts. "In fact, I think that Mrs Thatcher has a magnificent understanding of our position, even if she would have preferred a different kind of participation." Perhaps she recalls how, after executing a remarkable U-turn on this divisive issue, he had invested all his immense personal capital with the Spanish people to win the 1986 referendum on keeping the country in Nato.

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"That referendum is vitally important, because it defines our position exactly," Señor González emphasizes, noting that Norway has also chosen to impose conditions on its participation. "I think the other members accept our position, perhaps because we are the first new one since 1956 and this was a free decision by the people. Since then, Spain has never presented any objections or obstacles to decisions adopted by Nato and we are in substantial agreement with Alliance strategy."

As for the Western European Union, Spain is "certainly interested" in the prospect of joining the only discussion forum for the defence of Europe. "The unanimous decision of our Parliament, backed by public opinion, is to integrate Spain into Western Europe, sharing fully its destiny," he says. Despite Mrs Thatcher's apparent reservations on Spanish membership, Señor González points out that other WEU members "do not have nuclear weapons and have signed the non-proliferation treaty".

As some here see it, Mrs Thatcher and her opposite number could well find themselves disagreeing, however politely among friends, over the European Monetary System. For Señor González, whose enthusiasm for European unity comfortably exceeds Mrs Thatcher's, Spain could not get into the EMS quickly enough. "If we want a truly unified internal market, we have to confront the issue of how to arrive at a single monetary unit."

So is the status of sterling in Europe likely to be an important issue in discussions with Mrs Thatcher, bearing in mind that next January Spain will assume, for the first time, the presidency of the EEC? "Let's call it a conversation point," he says with a quick smile, before warming to a subject on which he clearly holds the firmest of views.

As Señor González reasons, having accepted the principle of the free movement of capital from 1990 – "an extremely important step towards constructing an unified market" – it was absolutely essential eventually to adopt the conformity of fiscal policy which would enable the system to function efficiently. "Otherwise capital is simply going to chase the most attractive home."

Look at the US, he continues, with a wave of the cigarette that is always close at hand. "An American can do business from one end of the country to the other, and his dollar never loses any of its exchange value."

The EEC functions, he contends, precisely because every member is free to maintain its own positions. "But this freedom to differ should not be in any way interpreted as the right to block ade its progress," he suggests.

One EEC problem that is not lying in ambush for Señor González is the unseemly rumpus over agricultural subsidies, or so he fervently hopes. "I'm very thankful that we appear to have settled this for the next few years, though there could still be some discussions." Informed observers consider that Señor González shares Mrs Thatcher's profound aversion to directing large lumps of Comunity cash towards the farmers in France and West Germany.

With the Spanish economy currently the wonder of Western Europe, firing away on a growth rate well ahead of the pack, Señor González is becoming accustomed to being asked about the risks of eventual overheating. "It is always hard to be sure about future policies, but we certainly need the present 5 per cent growth rate to continue."

Spain managed to combine this remarkable progress for three years with falling inflation – 24 per cent a decade ago, 3.9 per cent last month – but Señor González admits that this year a certain "resistance" is developing in the same way as is happening in Britain today.

As numerous commentators have observed, much that has taken place within the Spanish economy under Señor González should meet with his opposite number's unstinting approval. He certainly has no time for complaints, mainly from disgruntled left-wingers and union leaders, that he has abandoned socialism for a brand of Thatcherism called *Felipismo*.



"Is fighting inflation a matter of left-wing or right-wing? No, it is just practical. So is avoiding a trade deficit that could drown the economy and responsible concern about balance of payments trends. That is nothing to do with politics, it is about being serious or not, and one of the themes I believe is gaining increasing acceptance among modern societies is the convergence of interest in economic policy-making."

For all that, Spain is now experiencing much the same sort of spending spree on foreign-made luxuries that Britain faces: shiny new BMWs feature in every jam in Madrid's traffic-clogged streets and French champagne importers can hardly keep up with soaring demands from what the Spanish press calls "Yuppielandia".

Another serious headache for Señor González is unemployment, recently estimated at close on 20 per cent – the highest in Europe. He points out that having inherited the cumulative ills of seven successive years of job destruction, government programmes are now creating over 300,000 new jobs a year. Even so, he concedes, the desperate lack of jobs among young Spaniards remains a serious problem "and the hardest for us to influence."

In the fight against terrorism, Señor González stands shoulder-to-shoulder with Mrs Thatcher. Although cautiously optimistic about progress towards overcoming the threat from the Basque separatist group, Eta, he hesitates to endorse his new Justice Minister's claim that the "final phase" of the struggle has begun. "A couple of fanatical bombers can always give a society the impression that terrorism is thriving," he says.

As the Gibraltar inquest focuses Spanish attention on Britain's battle against IRA terrorism, Señor González is satisfied that his country's "impeccable" contribution to this operation is properly recognized by Mrs Thatcher.

"It was obviously in our own interests in this case to deploy all the means at our disposal. Just imagine what would have happened if a car full of explosives had come across the border from Malaga and killed 50 people, what tremendous frustration that would have produced in public opinion in Britain, Spain and Gibraltar."

At the end of the interview, Señor González suggested mildly that the media, *The Times* included, might be overplaying the significance of the fact that Mrs Thatcher would be the first British Prime Minister to visit Spain. "If she had already been here four or five times, like Helmut Kohl, for example, we could have got down to work right away and there would be nothing made of it."

WORLD ROUNDUP

UN agency seeks urgent food aid

Rome (Reuter) – The United Nations World Food Programme yesterday appealed for urgent contributions after having exhausted its emergency food reserve for 1988. Mr James Ingram, the executive director, called for donor nations to provide at least 300,000 tonnes of food the agency needs before the end of the year.

A catalogue of disasters unprecedented in its 25-year history means that the agency urgently needs 100,000 tonnes of food to avoid more suffering among refugees and disaster victims in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Malawi and Somalia alone. Bangladesh has asked for 240,000 tonnes to relieve flood victims, and there are estimates that 2.5 million tonnes of the autumn harvest will be lost. More than 800,000 refugees from Mozambique in Malawi also need food this year.

The agency allocates about 30 per cent of its budget to buy food, which it stores for emergencies. The other 70 per cent is spent on implementing development projects using food pledged and stored by donors.

Sikhs to be released

Delhi – On the eve of the visit of Mr Rajiv Ghandi to the troubled state of Punjab today, the Indian Government announced it would release 138 Sikh prisoners held in Jodhpur jail without trial since June, 1984 (A Correspondent writes). The release of the "Jodhpur detainees" has been the persistent demand of most people in the state.

In a recent report Amnesty International regretted the continued detention of some 330 prisoners without trial. It was generally felt that the majority of the detainees were simply innocent pilgrims who were rounded up from the Golden Temple in Amritsar in June, 1986, when the late Prime Minister, Mrs Indira Ghandi, ordered the Army into of the temple complex to flush out terrorists.

Beirut bomb kills 3

West Beirut – A car bomb in Christian east Beirut yesterday killed three civilians as Christian politicians began a marathon debate to nominate a presidential candidate for tomorrow's election (Juan Carlos Gumucio writes).

Christian militia spokesmen condemned the attack as an attempt to sabotage a conclave of Christian parliamentarians who had earlier vetoed a candidate presented by Syria and the United States two days ago. Mr Joseph Skaff, a former Information Minister, was slightly injured in the blast in Doura district as he was travelling by car to the meeting in Bkerke, the seat of the Patriarch of the Maronite Church north of Beirut. Three of his bodyguards were among the 25 people injured.

US housing 'disgrace'

Washington – Young children are the fastest-growing segment of America's homeless population, according to a new report, which says that at least 100,000 are on the streets on any night.

That figure does not include those who run away, are abandoned or are in institutions. (Michael Binyon writes). The National Academy of Sciences, which commissioned the report, called the situation nothing short of a national disgrace.

Armenians in protest

Moscow (Reuter) – Armenians massed in the Armenian capital, Yerevan, yesterday after clashes in the Soviet region of Nagorno-Karabakh left one Armenian dead and 24 people wounded. A Yerevan resident said some businesses had shut and public transport was working only sporadically as outrage grew over the clash on Sunday between Azerbaijanis and Armenians. Yerevan protesters want the transfer of Nagorno-Karabakh from Azerbaijan to Armenia, but their main demand yesterday was for a stop to an influx of Azerbaijanis into the disputed enclave.

Pact on boat people

Hong Kong – After heavy international pressure, the Hong Kong Government has signed an agreement with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees which provides for UN participation in a controversial screening process of Vietnamese boat people who have arrived since mid-June, and promises improvements in camp conditions.

National customs and traditions the key to Community strength

Thatcher sets out her five guiding principles

Extracts of the speech delivered by Mrs Thatcher yesterday to the College of Europe in Bruges:

The European Community is the practical means by which Europe can ensure the future prosperity and security of its people in a world in which there are many other powerful nations and groups of nations.

We Europeans cannot afford to waste our energies on internal disputes or arcane institutional debates. Europe has to be ready both to contribute in full measure to its own security and to compete commercially and industrially, in a world in which success goes to the countries which encourage individual initiative and enterprise, rather than to those which attempt to diminish them.

My first guiding principle is this: willing and active co-operation between independent sovereign states is the best way to build a successful European Community. To try to suppress nationhood and concentrate power at the centre of a European conglomerate would be highly damaging and would jeopardize the objectives we seek to achieve. Europe will be stronger precisely because it has France as France, Spain as Spain, Britain as Britain, each with its own customs, traditions and identity. It would be folly to try to fit them into some sort of Identikit European personality.

Identikit European personality a folly

Some of the founding fathers of the Community thought that the United States of America might be its model. But the whole history of America is quite different from Europe. People went there to get away from the intolerance and constraints of life in Europe.

They sought liberty and opportunity; and their strong sense of purpose has, over two centuries, helped create a new unity and pride in being American – just as our pride lies in being British or Belgian or Dutch or German.

I want to see us work more closely on the things we can do better together than alone. Europe is stronger when we do so, whether it be in trade, in defence, or in our relations with the rest of the world.

But working more closely together does not require power to be centralized in Brussels or decisions to be taken by an appointed bureaucracy. Indeed, it is ironic that just when those countries such as the Soviet Union, which have tried to run everything from the centre, are learning that success depends on dispersing power and decisions away from the centre, some in the Community seem to want to move in the opposite direction.

We have not successfully rolled back the frontiers of the state in Britain only to see them reimposed at a European level with a European superstate exercising a new dominance from Brussels. Certainly we want to see Europe more united and with a greater sense of common purpose. But it must be in a way which preserves the different traditions, parliamentary powers and sense of national pride in one's own country, for these have been the source of Europe's vitality through the centuries.

My second guiding principle is this. Community policies must tackle present problems in a practical way, however difficult that may be. If we cannot reform those Community policies which are patently wrong or ineffective, which are rightly causing public disquiet, then we shall not get the public's support for the Community's future development.

You cannot build on unsound foundations, financial or otherwise; and it was the fundamental reforms agreed last winter which paved the way for the remarkable progress which we have since made on the single market. But we cannot rest on what we have achieved to date.

For example, the task of reforming the common agricultural policy is far from complete.

Of course, we must protect the villages and rural areas which are such an important part of our national life – but not by the instrument of agricultural prices. Tackling these problems requires political courage.

My third guiding principle is the need for Community policies which encourage enterprise. If Europe is to flourish and create the jobs of the future, enterprise is the key.

The lesson of the economic history of Europe in the 1970s and 1980s is that central planning and detailed control don't work, and that personal endeavour and initiative do; that a state-controlled economy is a recipe for low growth; and that free enterprise within a framework of law brings better results.

The aim of a Europe open to enterprise is the moving force behind the creation of the single European market by 1992. By getting rid of barriers, by making it possible for companies to operate on a Europe-wide scale, we can best compete with the United States, Japan and the other new economic powers emerging in Asia and elsewhere.

And that means action to free markets, action to widen choice, action to reduce government intervention. Our aim should not be more and more detailed regulation from the centre: it should be to deregulate and to remove the constraints on trade.

Britain has been in the lead in opening its markets others. The City of London has long welcomed financial institutions from all over the world, which is why it is the biggest and most successful financial centre in Europe.

> **Brussels – Denmark's cherished litter-free environment is to remain immune from invasion by foreign beer cans and soft drink containers, following a landmark ruling yesterday by the European Court of Justice (Michael Dynes writes).**
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> **It overturned a recommendation that Danish regulations banning non-returnable receptacles for beer and soft drinks breached the free trade provisions of the Treaty of Rome. The decision by the Luxembourg-based court is the first time environmental concerns have been elevated above the free operation of the market.**

We have opened our market for telecommunications equipment, introduced competition into the market for services and even into the network itself – steps which others in Europe are only now beginning

In air transport, we have taken the lead in liberalization and seen the benefits in cheaper fares and wider choice.

Our coastal shipping trade is open to the merchant navies of Europe. I wish I could say the same of many other Community members.

Regarding monetary matters, let me say this. The key issue is not whether there should be a European central bank. The immediate and practical requirements are to implement the Community's commitment to free movement of capital – in Britain we have it; and to the abolition throughout the Community of the exchange controls – in Britain we abolished them in 1979; to establish a genuinely free market in financial services, in banking, insurance, investment; to make greater use of the Ecu.

Britain is this autumn issuing Ecu-denominated Treasury bills, and hopes to see other Community governments increasingly do the same.

It is to such basic, practical steps that the Community's attention should be devoted. When those have been achieved, and sustained over a period of time, we shall be in a better position to judge the next moves.

It is the same with the frontiers between our countries. Of course we must make it easier for goods to pass through frontiers. Of course we must make it easier for our people to travel throughout the Community. But it is a matter of plain common sense that we cannot totally abolish frontier controls if we are also to protect our citizens from crime and stop the movement of drugs, of terrorists, and of illegal immigrants.

That was underlined graphically only three weeks ago, when one brave German customs officer, doing his duty on the frontier between Holland and Germany struck a major blow against the terrorists of the IRA.

And before I leave the subject of the single market, may I say that we certainly do not need new regulations which raise the cost of employment and make Europe's labour market less flexible and less competitive with overseas supplies. If we are to have a European company statute, it should contain the minimum regulations.

And certainly we in Britain would fight attempts to introduce collectivism and corporatism at the European level – although what people wish to do in their own countries is a matter for them.

My fourth guiding principle is that Europe should not be protectionist. The expansion of the world economy requires us to continue the process of removing barriers to trade, and to do so in the multilateral negotiations in the GATT.

It would be a betrayal if, while breaking down constraints on trade within Europe, the Community were to erect greater external protection. We must ensure that our approach to world trade is consistent with the liberalization we preach at home.

My last guiding principle concerns the most fundamental issue – the European countries' role in defence. Europe must continue to maintain a sure defence through Nato. There can be no question of relaxing our efforts even though it means taking difficult decisions and meeting heavy costs.

It is to Nato that we owe the peace that has been maintained over 40 years. The fact is things are going our way: the democratic model of a free enterprise society has proved itself superior; freedom is on the offensive, a peaceful offensive the world over, for the first time in my lifetime.

We must strive to maintain the United States' commitment to Europe's defence. That means recognising the burden on their resources of the world role they undertake, and their point that their Allies should play a full part in the defence of freedom, particularly as Europe grows wealthier.

Allies' full part in defence of freedom

Increasingly they will look to Europe to play a part in out-of-area defence, as we have recently done in the Gulf.

Nato and the WEU have long recognized where the problems with Europe's defences lie, and have pointed out the solutions. The time has come when we must give substance to our declarations about a strong defence effort with better value for money.

It's not an institutional problem. It's not a problem of drafting. It's something at once simpler and more profound: it is a question of political will and political courage, of convincing people in all our countries that we cannot rely forever on others for our defence, but that each member of the Alliance must shoulder a fair share of the burden.

We should develop the WEU, not as an alternative to Nato, but as a means of strengthening Europe's contribution to the common defence of the West.

EEC membership debate rekindles 'civil war' in Norway



Mrs Brundtland: Her party opposes membership.

From A Correspondent
Oslo

The British diplomat charged with running the new EEC information office in Oslo has spoken of his fear of becoming "a football in the middle" in a furious election campaign on the issue of European membership for Norway.

Mr Anewrin Rhys Hughes, ambassador and head of the EEC delegation, said he was as taken aback as the Norwegian public had been by the opposition Conservative Party's recent announcement that it proposed to make EEC membership an issue in next year's general election.

The subject has been politically taboo since membership was rejected narrowly in a 1972 referendum, causing such bitterness that Mr Thorvald Stoltenberg, the Foreign Minister, describes it as "the closest Norway has ever come to civil war".

Mr Hughes, who opened his office in November, said: "We were caught totally by surprise. This has certainly made our position a bit more sensitive and delicate, because we must remain neutral in our supply of information."

He did admit, however, that many misapprehensions about the EEC voiced by Norwegian public figures "get right up my nose", particularly a widespread fear that membership would automatically bring about damage to the Norwegian environment.

The Conservatives' initiative, which is opposed by the minority Labour Government of Mrs Gro Harlem Brundtland, was announced at the end of last month, provoking a national uproar.

In his address to the party's executive committee, Mr Jan Syse, the Conservative leader, gave a warning "for a small country like Norway", about the economic consequences of the 1992 integration of the inner markets.

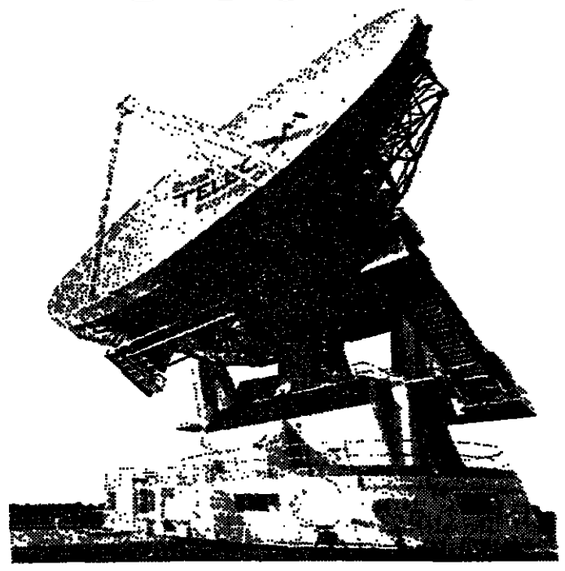
Further postponing an application for membership until 1994 would mean being forced to accept a single market that others had created, he said.

The Norwegian economy is already foundering from last year's share crash and shows the early signs of recession fanned by falling oil prices.

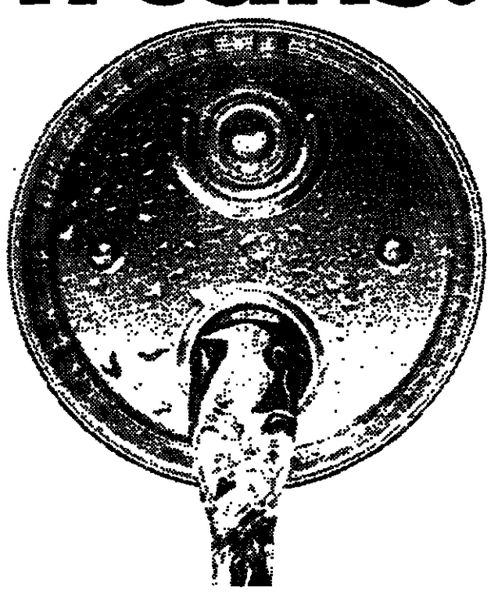
Opinion polls say one-third of voters are undecided whether they would support membership in a referendum. Of those who do know, 58 per cent would vote against; in 1972 the percentage was 53.5.

The issue is taken so seriously that in some farming areas, which are well protected, there are once-close friends and relatives who have not spoken since falling out over the 1972 referendum.

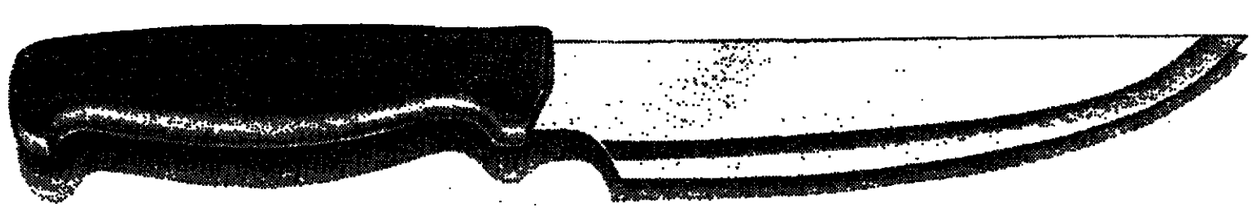
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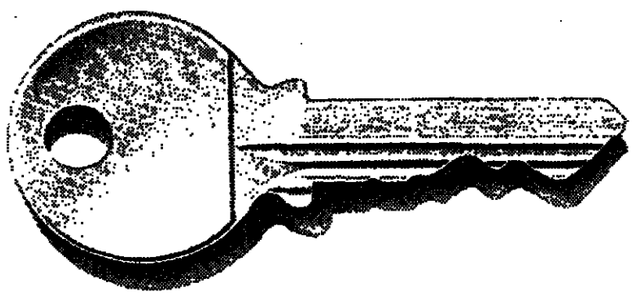
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Opposition flee Burma's new military Government

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

One day after killing hundreds of civilian demonstrators in the streets of Rangoon the Burmese Army, reasserting its control over the country, last night announced a new nine-member Government comprising nine high-ranking officers and one civilian.

The move came as opposition leaders went into hiding and many student activists fled across the border into Thailand in the face of the ruthless crushing of their six-week campaign for democracy by General Saw Maung and other hardline officers, who seized power last Sunday.

No prime minister was named, but General Saw Maung, as chairman of a "state committee for law and order" set up after the coup, appears to be the leader of the new Government. He is named as Foreign Minister and also retains the defence portfolio which he held under the previous government.

The Army has ordered the population to surrender all weapons and said that force would be used to make people comply. Demonstrators seized quantities of arms and ammunition when they stormed police stations in Rangoon and Mandalay on Monday.

The display of military might has forced a retreat by the opposition. The most prominent opposition leaders, including the former Prime Minister, U Nu, aged 81, are reported to have gone into hiding in the capital.

Fresh differences over tactics in the battle against the military regime also surfaced yesterday. U Nu's group said that they were trying to lead the people peacefully towards democracy, and condemned others for pushing demonstrators into needless conflict with the Army.

The death toll during the 24 hours of street battles is estimated at 300 to 400 in Rangoon alone, although the authorities said that only about 50 demonstrators died.

Other officers named in the new Government are the Navy commander, Rear-Admiral Maung Maung Khin, who becomes Minister for Planning and Finance, Energy and Mines, and the Air Force chief, Major-General Tin Tun, who takes over as Minister of Transport, Communications and Construction.

Another well-known military figure, Major-General Phone Myingt, is named as Minister of Home and Religious Affairs and of Information and Culture. The only civilian, Dr Pe Thein, is give the Health portfolio.

General Saw Maung said that they would begin work at their respective ministries today.

Nationwide military control is said to be complete, as provincial affairs are in the hands of regional army commanders assisted by local police chiefs.

The United States, reacting angrily to the brutality of the security forces, began moves to cut off all aid to Burma only hours after soldiers shot dead monks and unarmed civilians outside the American Embassy. Official spokesmen in Washington said that they expected aid to be halted in two or three days.

It was the first public sign that foreign governments, which have been silent about the uprising in Burma, are now ready to put pressure on the Government to stop the brutality of the Army, which has killed thousands of unarmed civilians since they began their protests.

Spokesmen for the White House and the State Department said that aid programmes worth $12.2 million (£7.3 million) this year were being reviewed "in the light of recent events and with an eye to stopping or changing them". The US provides $7 million in aid for agricultural development and health services, $5 million for opium eradication, and $260,000 for military training.

A Western ambassador in Rangoon described the Army's savagery outside the US Embassy as "a staggering gesture of contempt for world opinion". He said that diplomats had been expressing concern about human rights in discussions with Burmese officials.

Rangoon residents said that the city was unnaturally quiet yesterday after the pitched street battles of Monday. Heavily-armed police and troops patrolled the deserted streets and searched houses for weapons and wanted men.

Opposition leaders told supporters to keep off the streets as the Army would shoot on sight". Wall posters said: "Don't go out unless you're armed".

Britain yesterday criticized the latest change in government in Burma and the new outbreak of violence in Rangoon (Nicholas Beeston writes). The Foreign Office said in a statement that the British Government deplored the reinstatement of martial law and the loss of life involved in the shooting by government troops of student-led demonstrators. "Any lasting solution to the crisis in Burma can only come about if the people's desire for greater freedom and multi-party democracy is met," it said.

Soviet shuttle 'set for lift-off'

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

The Soviet Union may steal a propaganda march by launching its first space shuttle before the American shuttle, Discovery, blasts off next week, according to a report yesterday in a US newspaper.

American spy satellites earlier this month photographed the new Soviet space shuttle on a launch pad at the Tyuratam space centre, in Kazakhstan, and a launch could be imminent, a report in the *Washington Times* said.

US intelligence had not been able to determine if the spacecraft would be manned or unmanned and controlled by ground technicians, the newspaper quoted unnamed American officials as saying.

It said that the Soviet shuttle is almost identical in size and shape to the American spacecraft.

Pentagon officials declined comment.

But Mr Sauders Kramer, a specialist on the Soviet space programme, said that he doubted Moscow would launch its shuttle ahead of Discovery because the Soviet Union had promised to announce the lift-off two weeks in advance.

However, the fact that the Soviet shuttle was recently positioned in a prelaunch position was an indication that it could be set to blast-off within weeks.

The Russians were said to have "drop-tested" the shuttle from a Tu 16 bomber to test its landing capabilities, and they have also ground-tested the craft by fitting it with jet engines for a runway take-off.

The Pentagon's annual *Soviet Military Power* report in April said that the Energiya SL-X-17 rocket – which was first flight-tested on May 15, 1987 – would be used to launch the Soviet space shuttle orbiter.

The Pentagon claims that the Soviet shuttle has been produced years ahead of schedule because the Russians have been able to copy many of the features from the American version.

Discovery's launch, due on September 29, will be the first manned US space flight since the Challenger disaster in January, 1986. Its main task will be to deploy a communications satellite, similar to the one destroyed in the Challenger explosion.

Discovery will lift off from the Kennedy Space Centre, Florida, on a mission lasting four days and it will land at Edward's Air Force Base, in California. The crew of five will be commanded by Captain Frederick Hauck, of the US Navy, a veteran of two shuttle missions.

Nicosia (Reuter) – Arab commentators said yesterday that Israel's first satellite launch was a technical and military challenge which Middle East states should combine to meet.

Some said that Monday's launch of what Israel called an experimental communications satellite symbolized unqualified US support for the Jewish state, while others suggested it might free Israel from its reliance on US spy satellites.

● **PARIS:** The first commercial launching of Western Europe's new Ariane-4 space rocket has been delayed by about five weeks because of problems discovered in the third-stage motors (Reuter reports).

A spokesman for the Luxembourg-based satellite company SES, whose Astra telecommunications satellite is scheduled to be launched on board the rocket, said lift-off was now scheduled for mid-December instead of the original date of November 8.

Japanese braced for a new era

Aloof Crown Prince begins to emerge from shadows

By David Watts

Crown Prince Akihito Of Japan is expected to take on temporarily the powers of Emperor tomorrow after the approval of the Cabinet.

Unless Emperor Hirohito recovers sufficiently to resume his duties the decision may effectively draw to a close the Emperor's Showa Era of Enlightenment and Harmony. One of the first tasks then will be to choosea name for the new era, generally some optimistic and high-minded formulation which is held to set the tone for the imperial reign.

The Crown Prince has had to wait a long time to play the role for which he was destined. In recent months he has taken over some of the imperial duties as Emperor Hirohito's health began to fail. But though it was a waiting period – which he has always known would be his lot since Japanese law makes no provision for abdication – it did not provide much opportunity for learning about his ultimate imperial role.



Crown Prince Akihito and his wife, Princess Michiko, arriving to see the ailing Emperor Hirohito in Tokyo yesterday.

The prince was prepared at an early age to be a more international figure than his father and his education included extensive study with an American teacher. As a result both he and his wife, Crown Princess Michiko, speak English and have travelled widely. Trips abroad include several visits to Britain, particularly when their eldest son, Prince Hiro, was studying at Oxford University. The couple's second son, Prince Aya, has followed his elder brother to Oxford.

Crown Prince Akihito has spent the greater part of his life in the shadow of his father and has had little opportunity to develop a public persona. Such avenues as military service, which are the traditional training grounds for the British monarchy, are closed to the Japanese imperial family because of the military's role in the Second World War and Emperor Hirohito's leadership of it during wartime.

Born in Tokyo on December 23, 1933, Crown Prince Akihito was educated at the Gakushuin Upper Secondary School until 1952 and the Gakushuin University, the traditional élite school, until 1956. In 1953 he undertook a six-month tour of 14 countries in North America and Western Europe which included a visit to Britain to attend the Coronation of the Queen as the representative of Emperor Hirohito.

But it was his marriage in 1959 to a commoner that set apart the young Crown Prince so markedly from his forebears. Miss Michiko Shoda, daughter of a prosperous flour merchant, became the first commoner to marry into the 2,000-year-old imperial house. The couple, both keen tennis players, met on the court and became engaged soon afterwards.

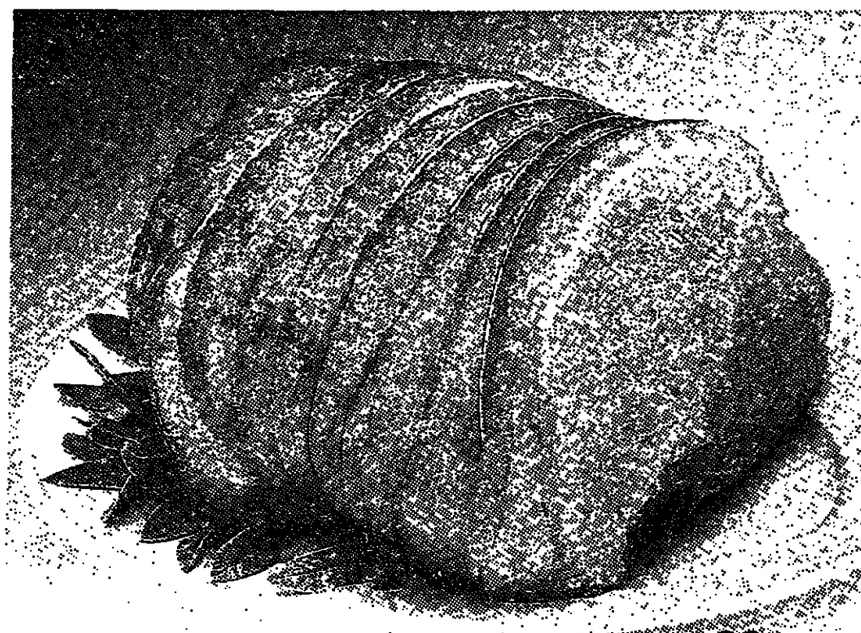
The marriage was opposed by some members of the imperial family and the old nobility, but it found a positive public response and many felt that the change would bring evolutionary development to the stuffy and inward-looking Imperial Household Agency while strengthening the links between the people and the royal family.

In the event there has been precious little evidence of that, and the royal couple remain almost as aloof from the people as did Emperor Hirohito and Empress Nagako. In fact the strain of life within the imperial walls was said to be partly responsible for the breakdown suffered by the Princess about the time of her second pregnancy, which had to be terminated out of concern for her health.

In a modest departure from past practice the couple have held regular press conferences on auspicious occasions such as birthdays or the new year.

The Crown Prince follows his father in his love of marine biology and has published studies of goby fish while the princess is both a pianist and a harpist. The Crown Prince and Princess also have a daughter, Princess Nori.

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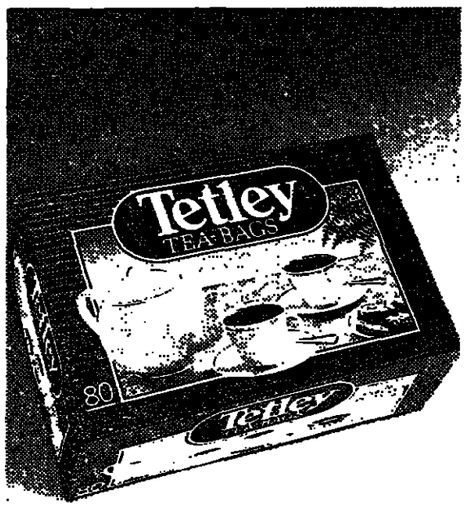
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Bonn murder attempt fans fears of terrorist revival

From Richard Owen, Bonn

The attempted murder yesterday of a senior West German Finance Ministry official and violent protests against a forthcoming meeting of the International Monetary Fund in Berlin have again raised the spectre of West German terrorism.

The unrest has aroused fears of a return to prominence by an extremist splinter group which had not been heard from for nearly a year.

The attempted shooting of Herr Hans Tietmeyer, aged 57, the Secretary of State at the Finance Ministry and deputy to Herr Gerhard Stoltenberg, the Finance Minister, struck a nerve just as a high-level controversy is unfolding over whether former terrorists now serving life-sentences should be pardoned if they repent.

Police said the attack on Herr Tietmeyer did not bear the hallmarks of the Red Army Faction terrorist group which emerged from the remnants of the notorious Baader-Meinhof Gang in the 1970s and has been intermittently active since then.

In this case, the would-be assassin emerged from the woods near Herr Tietmeyer's home in the fashionable Bonn suburb of Bad Godesberg as the official was getting into his car early in the morning. The gunman opened fire with a shotgun before vanishing into the trees and eluding a police search. Herr Tietmeyer was unharmed.

Police regard the attack as linked to violent protests this week aimed at disrupting meetings of the IMF and the World Bank in Berlin and Hamburg. Herr Tietmeyer, a prominent figure in European financial circles, has taken a leading role in organizing the IMF and World Bank meetings. He is an obvious target for terrorists who believe that such institutions are "the death machine of the imperialist economic system".

This is precisely the view held by extremist activists known as Autonome, so-called because they regard themselves as "autonymous"



Herr Tietmeyer: Escaped unscathed in gun ambush

even from the Red Army Faction and are, if anything, more fearsome because they are less predictable. Security sources say that the Red Army Faction and the Autonome appear to have joined forces to disrupt the IMF congress due to take place in Berlin next week.

The last big appearance by the Autonome, of whom there are said to be more than 2,000 hard-core activists, was at Frankfurt last November, when two policemen were shot dead during a demonstration against a new runway.

The tactic of Autonome is to take over a peaceful protest — as at Frankfurt — and go into battle wearing motor cycle helmets, masks and black clothing.

On Monday night, the Autonome resurfaced by taking over peaceful protests against the IMF.

Thirty masked demonstrators burst into IMF talks in Hamburg and struck an IMF official and a German Social Democrat MP with clubs, causing severe head injuries. There have also been arson attacks by the Autonome on banks in West Berlin.

How to control such anarchic behaviour has long been a key dilemma, which has been highlighted this week by the revelation that highly respected and liberal-minded President von Weizsäcker may pardon for two former Red Army Faction members.

Peter Jürgen Boock and Angelika Speitel, both aged 36, are serving life sentences, in Boock's case for involvement in the murders of Herr Jürgen Ponto, head of the Dresdner Bank and of Herr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, head of the Industrialists Federation, the German equivalent of the Confederation of British Industry. Speitel was convicted for killing a policeman.

While in prison, however, the two former Red Army Faction members have repented, urging others to follow suit. This coincides with a fall-off in terror attacks, and the decision by some former guerrillas to enter respectable politics by joining the Greens.

Until yesterday's murder attempt, the last big outrage was the murder two years ago by the Red Army Faction of a senior Foreign Ministry official, Herr Gerold von Braunmühl.

Yesterday the widows of Herr Schleyer and Herr Braunmühl made an appeal to President Weizsäcker not to pardon any terrorists, and opinion polls suggested that two-thirds of West Germans agreed.

Stewardess sang lullaby for Hamadei



Mrs Ulricke Derickson, chief stewardess on the fatal flight, arriving to testify in Frankfurt.

From A Correspondent
Frankfurt

Mrs Ulrike Derickson, a chief stewardess of Trans World Airlines, described to a Frankfurt court yesterday how she had to sing a lullaby to one of two hijackers who brutally beat a young US Navy diver.

Muhammad Ali Hamadei, charged with hijacking the TWA Boeing 727 in June 1985 and murdering the diver, Robert Stethem, asked the stewardess to sing him a specific lullaby, and then a German song of her choice.

"I tried to affect him by singing *Heimatlos* (homeless)," she said. "He said that was how it was in Lebanon — no friends, no love; I had to sing it again and again."

Mrs Derickson, a German-born US citizen, contradicted Hamadei's claim that he had never had a weapon in his hand, and was only following orders. "That wasn't obvious to me," she said.

"They discussed everything together and then said what was to be done. I couldn't identify one or the other as the leader."

She also described how Hamadei showed her his pistol — "chrome, with a pearl-handled grip" — and had later "in a very matter-of-fact way" said Robert Stethem was "gone, out, or words like that".

At one stage he asked her which direction was east, collected paper towels from the lavatory to spread on the floor and began to pray. "I was astounded that someone so brutal could pray," she said.

Tension in Haiti

Leader of coup names Cabinet

Port-au-Prince (Reuter) — Sporadic gunfire was still being heard in the streets of Haiti's capital yesterday after young soldiers were reported to have taken over two barracks, heightening uncertainty after last weekend's coup.

The reported rebellions came as President Avril, the lieutenant-general appointed by the Palace Guard which staged the coup on Saturday, announced a new Cabinet comprising mainly civilians who had served in the interim government which ran Haiti until elections last January.

Some foreign embassies warned their personnel to keep off the streets of the Caribbean port city after radio stations reported that troops had rebelled at the barracks of the crack Leopard Battalion and the Aviation Air Force base, taking captive their commanding officers.

There was no indication of any casualties in the rebellions, but residents said that they heard heavy and prolonged shooting around the Leopard base.

Local radio stations said that troops from the battalion had announced they had taken their commander, Colonel Dennis Abelard, to the Dessallines Battalion headquarters and left him in the charge of soldiers there.

Dessallines, the biggest barracks in Port-au-Prince, is under the command of Colonel Jean-Claude Paul, who is wanted in the United States on drug trafficking charges and is a leading power broker in the Haitian military. There was less information about events at the Aviation base, but radio stations reported that there had also been a takeover there.

The independent Radio Metropole said that the commander of the Air Force, Colonel Gesner Bruno, had been lynched by his men, but the Catholic Radio Soleil said later that the troops had stripped him of his rank and sent him home. Tension has been growing here since General Avril was named President on Sunday after Haiti's second coup in three months.

Rounds of semi-automatic and machine-gun fire could be heard in residential suburbs at night and few people were on the streets. A soldier who took part in the coup told Radio Soleil that only one person had been killed, a young soldier who insisted on defending the former President, Lieutenant-General Henri Namphy, and was executed for treason.

General Namphy, who seized power from the civilian President, Mr Leslie Manigat, in a bloodless coup on June 19, followed the path of his predecessor: he was put on an aircraft for the neighbouring Dominican Republic.

The role in the coup of the young soldiers — poorly paid and underfed — has added a new dimension to Haitian politics.

A non-commissioned officer, Sergeant Joseph Hebreux, aged 27, announced the toppling of General Namphy, and his colleagues have since become increasingly outspoken in their demands for reform, calling for a return to democracy and the sacking of officers linked to the Duvalier dictatorship.

Scores of young troops have remained in the presidential palace since the coup. Diplomats have expressed fears that dissent in the junior ranks could spread, leading to further bloodshed.

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Sudan law dispute

Khartoum (AFP) — A Bill to impose Islamic law, or *Sharia*, in Sudan prompted a walkout by African parties of the non-Muslim south when it was presented to Parliament. Mr Eliaba James Surur, leader of the Union of African Parties from the South, warned that the Bill would divide the Sudanese nation. Christians and followers of African religions threatened to withdraw their support from the national unity Government.

Looting claim

Harare (Reuter) — The South-West Africa People's Organization accused South African troops of an orgy of looting in northern Namibia, singling out black-owned shops in their attacks.

Battle at sea

Sydney — Anti-nuclear protesters in kayaks, canoes and dinghies failed to stop a US Navy warship entering Port Kembla harbour for a bicentennial event.

Pension boost

Harare — The Governments of Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe have agreed to pension increases for retired civil servants of the defunct 1953-63 Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

Airports hit

Rome (Reuter) — Italian airports shut down for six hours because of a national pay strike by aviation workers.

Missile fails

Cape Canaveral (AP) — The US Navy's new Trident 2 submarine missile suffered a second failure in a test firing from this Florida base and was deliberately blown up.

Ambush toll

Nairobi (Reuter) — Suspected poachers killed a policeman and wounded seven others in an ambush in Kenya's Tsavo National Park.

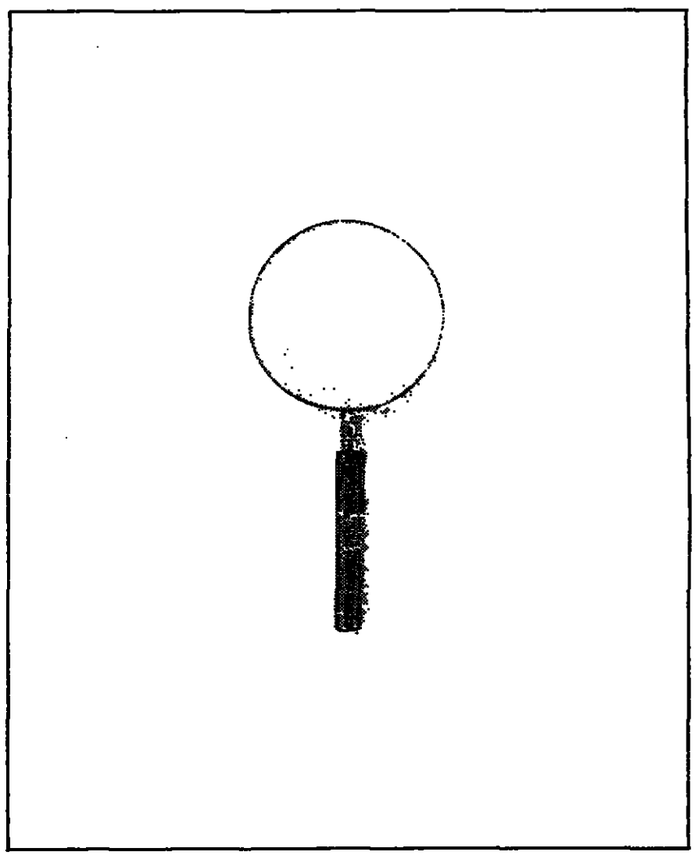
River tragedy

Beijing (AP) — At least 61 people drowned when a river ferry sank in Guangxi Zhuang, a southern China region bordering Vietnam.

Soviet cheer

Moscow (AP) — Wine, beer, champagne and cognac, in short supply since the Gorbachov crackdown on public drunkeness three years ago, will reappear soon in food stores, *Pravda* reported.





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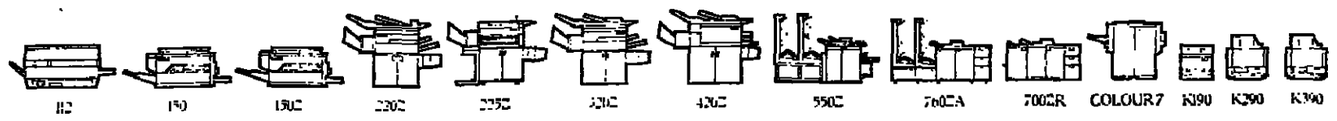
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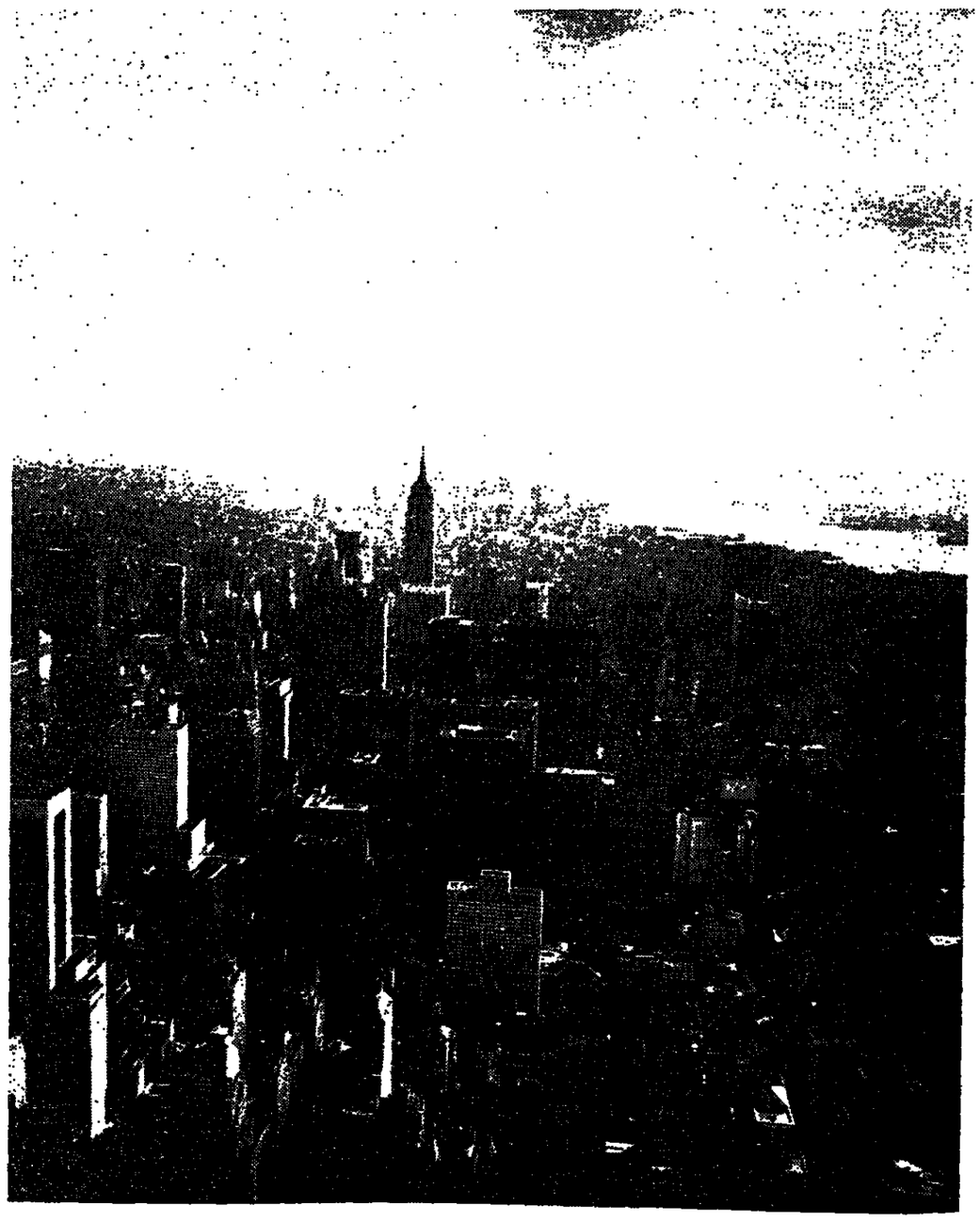
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Somali units accused of mass killings and torture

By Nicholas Beeston

Somali security forces have in the past four months stepped up a campaign of arrests, torture and summary executions of members of a clan linked to the main anti-government guerrilla group, Amnesty International claims today.

In one of its most scathing recent human rights reports, Amnesty says that the National Security Service and the military police have been responsible for widespread torture of men and women prisoners, mass killings of civilians in the north and the denial of legal and humanitarian facilities for detainees.

Although Somalia has had a poor human rights record, the situation has deteriorated after fierce fighting in the north and successes by the Somali National Movement, whose guerrillas are drawn from the Issaq clan.

The mass arrests of clansmen, which began in June, have continued through the summer in Mogadishu and Berbera. The human rights organization says that it has the names of 120 detainees in the capital; they include prominent businessmen, civil servants and army officers.

Amnesty says it has confirmation from the north that government forces in Hargeisa have embarked on a campaign of "extra-judicial" executions of suspects, 'as well as bombardment by the Air Force of fleeing civilians which has left thousands dead.

The most systematic abuses of human rights, according to victims, occurs at security service headquarters in Mogadishu, which is known as *Godka*, or "the hole", because of its labyrinth of underground cells.

Former inmates describe a pattern of torture methods including the "MiG", named after the Soviet warplane, in which the prisoner's hands and feet are tied behind his back to force his body to arch backwards before a beating; water torture; electric shocks; squeezing testicles with pliers; and raping women prisoners.

A Canadian physician, Dr Wendall Block, who interviewed and examined former torture victims in Somalia over the past two years, said that children of 12 and 14 years of age were arrested. Prisoners were kept in cramped conditions with poor toilet facilities, no beds and little food. One man was not allowed out of his cell for six years and had no contact with anyone during that period.

In addition to the recent arrests, scores of political detainees have been held without trial for long periods, including the country's longest held prisoner of conscience, Mr Yusuf Osman Samantar, a lawyer and political leader, detained since May 1975 as well as for most of the six years before that.

When political prisoners are brought to trial the hearings are very frequently held *in camera*, with little or no time for a defendant to prepare his case and the prosecution's evidence often made up of oral or written confessions made under torture. Amnesty says it has heard of night trials, of defendants being denied legal representation and of judges refusing to hear prisoners' complaints of torture or of needing medical assistance.

In March Somali soldiers rounded up a group of unarmed civilians near the town of Gebileh and 22 farmers and nomads were tried summarily and executed. According to Amnesty, the trials ignored legal procedure, and defendants were hardly allowed to speak in their defence.

Amnesty says it has appealed frequently to the Government of President Barre to take action against the abuses, but Mogadishu has ignored the approaches and refused to allow the organization's representatives to visit the country earlier this year.

A spokeswoman for the Somali Embassy in London said: "Amnesty is being manipulated by opposition groups who manufacture most of their information. These people are killing innocent civilians and claim they are being persecuted. Amnesty is guilty of mistakes. There is no wide-scale torture."

The spokeswoman said that Somali officials would go through the report point by point and would check if there were cases of abuse.

Somalia: A Long-Term Human Rights Crisis (Amnesty International British Section, 5 Roberts Place, London EC1. £2.50).

Hawke tackles Fiji tensions



A thoughtful Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, with Father Walter Lini, his Vanuatu counterpart, at the opening session of the South Pacific Forum in Tonga yesterday.

Before the 15-nation regional conference began, Mr Hawke met the Fijian Prime Minister, Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, in an effort to repair relations between Australia and the South Pacific nation's military-backed Government (Christopher Morris writes from Sydney). Fiji last week barred the Australian Foreign Minister, Senator Gareth Evans, from meeting the former Fijian Prime Minister, Dr Timoci Bavadra, who was deposed in the first of last year's two coups.

But an hour of talks between the leaders resulted in Senator Evans's visit to Fiji being declared on again, with no restrictions. However, Mr Hawke did not lift his threat to cancel £5 million of aid.

The Afghan conflict

Split over tribal talks shifts resistance focus

By Anatol Lieven

The focus of Afghan resistance activity is reported to be shifting from the southern city of Kandahar to Jalalabad, across the border from Peshawar, following tension between different guerrilla groups in the south.

This shift is thought to be connected with the issue of a *Loya Jirga*, a gathering of all the Afghan tribes, which is being proposed by moderate elements among the Mujahidin.

It was also called for by the United Nations envoy and negotiator, Señor Diego Cordovez, who proposed March 1 as the date for the *Loya Jirga*. This is the final deadline for the withdrawal of Soviet troops. He said that a *Loya Jirga* has "almost unanimous support" among Afghans. He urged them to get on with the business of deciding on a future government.

Señor Cordovez has compiled a list of 30 "impartial, respected Afghans", from inside the country and among the refugees, who could help to prepare the *Loya Jirga* and possibly form an interim government. Observers say that this proposal might find favour with the Soviet Union, which is anxious for a face-saving compromise. But its reception in Kabul will depend on how the Government there regards its own military position.

Señor Cordovez refused to disclose the names on his list, but said that they did not include former King Zahir whose return is sought by moderate resistance groups and opposed by fundamentalists.

There have been suggestions that if Kandahar falls, the moderate guerrilla groups which dominate the area and the refugee bases across the border around Quetta might try to fly in the former king to hold a tribal assembly, with a view to proclaiming a government of national unity.

However, Afghan experts see this as improbable. Zahir Shah is an extremely cautious man, and well aware of the hostility to him among fundamentalists, such as the Hezb-e-Islami of Gulbuddin Hekmatyar.

In recent weeks, after the withdrawal of Soviet troops, there have been frequent reports of an imminent guerrilla offensive against Kandahar. The Mujahidin, at present in strength inside the old city, have close links with officers of the garrison up to the rank of colonel. There have been suggestions that the city might be surrendered to the guerrillas by agreement, possibly even involving the Governor.

However the garrison was reinforced last week by more than 2,000 Aghan troops. Rumours that about 500 Soviet troops accompanied them were denied by Moscow.

The Government is unlikely to retreat from Kandahar, the second city of Afghanistan, and its loss would be a severe psychological blow.

Mr Hekmatyar, reported to be in the Kandahar region recently to gain support or ensure a central role in any local settlement, is not thought to have had much success. But he may have helped divide the local resistance sufficiently for the projected offensive against Kandahar to be delayed.

Meanwhile the guerrillas have captured the town of Spin Buldak, seven miles from the Pakistan border on the road from Quetta to Kandahar. Observers are divided on the chances of the resistance capturing Jalalabad in the near future. There were rumours of its imminent fall after the Soviet withdrawal, but it has been reinforced since then.

The price of freedom

Mobutu opponent gives up politics

From James Brooke, Kinshasa

Zaire's most prominent dissident has returned home from internal exile amid signs that the remaining political prisoners are to be released soon.

The dissident, Mr Tshisekedi Wa Mulumba, aged 56, whose arrest in April provoked a protest by 58 members of the US Congress, returned here on Monday. President Mobutu said: "Tshisekedi is a free man," after receiving the dissident and his family at Gbadolite, the President's village.

In an aircraft flying to Kinshasa, Mr Tshisekedi said that Mr Mobutu had promised to release about 20 other dissidents who had been sent into internal exile after a public protest here in January.

Appearing fit though tired, he said that his most recent



President Mobutu: Hints of release of more dissidents.

imprisonment, his ninth since 1980, had persuaded him to give up active political work against President Mobutu's one-party rule. "I told the President I am desisting from all political activity," he said.

He first provoked official wrath here when he announced the formation of a second political party, the Union for Democracy and Social Progress, *in* 1980.

"Always arrested, exiled, banished — it's not fun," he said as security agents craned their necks to catch his words. "My endurance threshold has reached its limit. I'm going to develop my cattle ranch."

In interviews this weekend at his Gbadolite palace, President Mobutu showed a similar fatigue with the cat-and-mouse game between him and Mr Tshisekedi. "I cannot lower myself to spend my time chasing after all these Zairois citizens who amuse themselves by organizing overseas press conferences to show their opposition," he said as water splashed in the background from 12 decorative fountains. "There are no political prisoners in my country."

In December, Mr Tshisekedi visited Washington and discussed human rights with members of Congress. A Bill introduced last year in the House of Representatives would end military aid and make economic aid conditional on improvements in human rights. Zaire receives about $3 million (£1.7 million) in military aid and about $60 million in economic aid.

On January 17, Mr Tshisekedi was arrested as he tried to address a demonstration here. On Monday, he said that three people had died as a result of wounds suffered during a police attack on the demonstrators.

The dissident, who served as a minister under President Mobutu in the late 1960s, said he was not maltreated in jail. He was released in mid-March. But in mid-April he was rearrested and banished to a remote village for circulating a letter urging a boycott of local elections and attacking President Mobutu as a "Zairean Caligula."

After that arrest, the 58 members of Congress signed a letter to President Mobutu protesting that the banishment was "a clear violation of internationally recognized civil and political rights."

At about the same time, Mr Tshisekedi wrote to President Mobutu asking for a meeting. "I've put down my arms," he said in reflective mood while he flew home.

But after a few moments some of the old fire came back. Raising his voice so the security agents could hear, he declared: "Ask my friends in the United States to keep pressuring the American Government to make President Mobutu respect human rights in Zaire."

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THE LETTERS OF T.S. ELIOT

PART 3

T.S. Eliot's first major work, "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock", was published in 1915, a momentous year for the young poet in more ways than one. It was then that he decided both to settle and embark on a literary career in England, and to marry an English girl, Vivien Haigh-Wood, the daughter of a painter.

The young couple met at Oxford and were married on June 26 at Hampstead Register Office, without the knowledge of either set of parents. Although Vivien Eliot was a firm believer in her new husband's literary talent, the liaison quickly hit problems. Only a few weeks after the wedding, Bertrand Russell was able to remark that "he is *ashamed of his marriage*, and very grateful if one is kind to her", adding ominously: "I think that she will soon be tired of him."

It seems probable that at the time of their marriage Eliot was unaware of his wife's troubled medical history: as a child she had suffered from tuberculosis of her left hand, followed in adolescence by a series of problems that might nowadays be ascribed to hormonal imbalance. Together they were to spend several years struggling with bouts of what has been described as *maladie à deux*, and with an unsuccessful sexual life.

In the third of five extracts from his letters, edited by his second wife, Valerie Eliot, and published next Monday to celebrate the centenary of his birth, we join the poet as he prepares to cross the Atlantic to visit his family in Massachusetts, shortly after his marriage.



Hard times: Vivien and T.S. Eliot in 1916, the second year of their marriage; their inability to make ends meet, plus anxiety over her worsening bouts of ill health, were beginning to take their toll on him too

July 23, 1915

My dear Father

. . . This letter I am going to leave with Vivien, and she is to send it to you, I have told her, in case anything happens to me before I arrive home . . . if anything did happen, I want to feel that you, as well as her own family, would look after her future as much as you could from that side of the ocean.

My one certain hope is that you will see that she gets the $5,000 insurance which you were so good to take out for me. She will need it. She will be in a most difficult position. Her own family are in very straitened circumstances owing to the war . . .

I have taken on a great responsibility . . . I have married her on nothing, and she knew it and was willing, for my sake. She had nothing to gain by marrying me. I have imposed upon you very much, but upon her more, and I know you will help to make her life less difficult . . .

His family wanted Eliot to remain in America for a time to complete a PhD at Harvard, but as he wrote to the poet Conrad Aiken from Massachusetts on August 5:

What I want is MONEY! $! £!! We are hard up! War!

Two weeks later he was rushing home, as he told his Harvard professor, J.H. Woods:

Unfortunately I have just had word that my wife is very ill in London, so I must go at once . . . I do not anticipate that her illness will prevent my return before the opening of college; but if it is serious enough to detain me I will cable you.

He was not to return, however. He obtained a temporary teaching post in High Wycombe, for a salary of £140 a year, with free dinners. As he wrote to Woods:

I found Mrs Eliot in very poor health; the strain upon her this summer has been very great, and I should not wish to expose her to the hardships of a winter in a foreign country under such conditions.

And to his father, on September 27:

You will know by this time what the situation is, and that my course of action is well considered . . . and the one which promises the most happiness . . .

However, there was one drawback:

I . . . am at present harassed by the question of money. My deposit is reduced to almost nothing, as it is all that I have at present to live upon. If no money comes from you at the end of a fortnight I shall be forced to cable, as I shall be reduced to the last pound by the time you get this . . .

Vivien's health remained a problem. In January 1916 Bertrand Russell took her to Devon for a change of air. When he left, after five days, he invited Eliot to join her at his expense. Eliot wrote to his benefactor from the Torbay Hotel:

Vivien is not very well today. She felt very well yesterday, and was too active; consequently a bad night, and stomach and headache today, and very tired . . . You could not have chosen a better place for Vivien; it's a sign how badly she needed it, when even under the absolutely *perfect* conditions you have provided for her she is still so weak and fatigued. I am convinced that no one could have been so wise and understanding with her as you. She was very happy. I have felt happier, these few days, than ever in my life.

And in March, again to Russell:

We went to the dentist this afternoon. I was not able to go with Vivien, but I arrived a few minutes later and talked to the doctor afterwards. Vivien was very much shaken by the interview, and is now in very great pain, both neuralgia and stomach . . . How much this will postpone her recovery I cannot tell. She is very ill tonight, and I am very sorry that she went through this. It has been too great a strain upon her will . . . Don't expect her to lunch tomorrow. I am sure it will be some days before she can go out to lunch or dinner.

By August she was at last improving. Eliot wrote to Conrad Aiken on August 21, giving a clue as to the nature of the illness:

You know that my wife has been very ill all the winter. She has been getting gradually better, but very slowly . . . it was a great anxiety . . . as she kept having incidental troubles like teeth which set her back . . . It has been nerves, complicated by physical ailments, and induced largely by the most acute neuralgia . . .

Though he was by now regularly reviewing books and lecturing at night school, the financial problems continued:

September 6, 1916

Dearest Mother

. . . You are so good and kind with offers of help that I should like to work night and day without stopping to make up for it, but I know I never can. How splendid you and father are! . . . We shall, as you say, probably need some more help before Christmas, but I hope not much.

> "We both had a very painful time at the dentist, and Vivien has also been having much trouble with her eyes. We feel sometimes as if we were going to pieces . . . The strain of life is very great"

His elder brother, Henry, helped out, too. In October 1916 Vivien wrote to thank him.

Really Henry I am quite sure you *cannot* afford these constant five poundses . . . I tell you I think you are notably generous and kind. It was very welcome because we are very low at present — we have only got twenty two pounds in the bank, and Tom won't get any more till Christmas . . . Unfortunately it has meant writing to your Father for help again . . .

And then there was her health:

I shan't have my sinus trouble touched until I simply have to. I still hope to live it down . . . they sent me to see a doctor . . . chiefly for my headaches . . . He explained that . . . I do not eat enough to nourish my nervous system — and brain . . .

Eliot had his own neurotic anxieties. In November 1916 he wrote revealingly to Henry expressing worries about what would happen to Vivien if he should die:

While I hope soon to be self-supporting, I don't know whether I shall ever earn enough money to leave her to live upon after my death . . . It is another superstition of mine that if you *don't* face any possibility of disaster it is much more likely to happen . . .

It was to be some time before his hope of being self-supporting was fulfilled:

Monday February 5, 1917

My dear Father

. . . I wrote to ask you a week or two ago whether you could send six months rent. I should like, if it were possible, to have a year's rent now, as it may become very difficult and precarious [because of the war] to send any communication from America to England . . . if the rent were not forthcoming we should be in a very awkward position . . . I simply want to protect ourselves as far as possible against risks, and knowing that the rent can be paid will go a great way . . .

March 1, 1917

My dear father

My last letter, a week ago, was broken off rather abruptly to catch the mail. Since then you have cabled me one hundred dollars, and Tuesday came a number of letters from mother, one of them including a cheque for seventy-five dollars . . . It is a great relief to me to have the money, as I had got down to the end of my current account, and was about to draw on the two hundred and fifty dollars which I have laid aside in a deposit account . . .

Vivien is a little better, and is gaining, but worries over our affairs have held her back a great deal. When she worries she bleeds internally, in a metaphorical sense, as well as other internal pains, like migraine and stomach trouble, in a literal sense . . .

The nature of the stress that assailed these two young people was amplified by Vivien in a letter to Eliot's mother on March 8:

I am so glad you understand the sort of brain that needs a great amount of sleep . . . I worry a great deal, and my brain is always restless and active. Often when I lie down to sleep I feel that a wheel is going round in my head, and although my body is dead tired my brain gets more and more excited . . . my migraines are coming back and I dont feel nearly so well. Tom . . . did not get over that influenza for *weeks* — in fact, I can say that it is only for the last 5 or 6 *days* that he has seemed like himself. Up till then he was most gloomy and depressed and very irritable and I knew he felt that life was simply not worth going on with . . .

It was therefore with great relief that Eliot obtained a regular job at Lloyds Bank towards the end of March 1917. He was earning "two pounds ten a week", still lecturing and reviewing books, and in May 1917 he became a "contributing editor . . . with a monthly paper called The Egoist *— the same which is publishing my poems". But the money worries continued, as Vivien explained to her mother-in-law in June 1917:*

In the flat, if we have a woman, I lock up every mortal thing, and not a grain of rice or a crust of bread is eaten without my knowledge. Naturally one does not enjoy having to practise such parsimonious ways — but when it is a choice between that and practically starving as it has been with us — there is of course no question . . . it becomes more and more difficult and harassing to procure proper nourishment on the money which Tom is earning. It is almost impossible . . . I dont know what will happen if he does not get a rise soon . . .

In November, Eliot was writing to his father:

My dear Father

. . . You mentioned money. I find that I have had fifty-five pounds from you this year, and if I could have the other ten pounds of the rent I should be very grateful. I shall run pretty low shortly (on my current account) and the rise in my salary and the first instalment on my lectures does not come until January . . . Will you cable the money?

And, a few days after Christmas, to his brother:

My dear Henry

. . . Your cheque arrived yesterday. I can only repeat how very generous and good you are. Half shall be spent on Vivien and half on me — mostly on clothes I fancy, which are of course expensive now, and on comforts which one has learned to regard as luxuries nowadays . . .

That winter, Tom and Vivien both suffered from influenza and chilblains. Vivien continued to be easily tired. By the following summer there were other problems:

June 23, 1918

Dearest Mother

. . . We both had a very painful time at the dentist, and Vivien has also been having much trouble with her eyes, and has had to have some expensive glasses. She . . . woke up with a very bad migraine . . . and was so dizzy when she got up that she had to lie down again. We feel sometimes as if we were going to pieces and just being patched up from time to time. The strain of life is very great . . .

And so it went on, continuing bouts of ill-health for both of them and always a lack of money, despite Eliot's success at the bank and his growing reputation as both a poet and a critic. In the summer of 1919, "just out of bed and very much run down", Eliot spent three weeks on holiday in France. On his return, as he told his mother:

. . . I found Vivien in bed with a serious attack of bronchitis. As her family were in the country she has no one to look after her but our servant, who leaves at 8 in the evening, so that she was always alone at night. She had concealed her illness from me in writing, so as not to diminish my pleasure in the trip . . . she still has a nasty cough and is very pale . . .

In 1920, Vivien's father became seriously ill and the effect on her was dramatic. On April 3, 1921, Eliot wrote to his friend Sydney Schiff, writer and patron of the arts:

. . . I have been preoccupied with Vivien's illness . . . after her father was out of danger she nearly collapsed . . . she has been in bed for the last five weeks, at first in a nursing-home, and lately, on account of the expense, at home. We have had a specialist treating her for nervous exhaustion and for her stomach trouble, which became very alarming . . . she cannot expect to be really well for a year or two, but I hope that with careful living — and occasional treatment she will improve steadily.

Later in 1921, Eliot's own health, never entirely robust and always subject to the stresses under which he found himself, declined sharply.

October 3, 1921

My dear Henry

I have been feeling very nervous and shaky lately, and have had very little self-control. Vivien wanted me to see a nerve specialist, so she made an appointment and went with me, to the most celebrated specialist in London. He . . . said I had greatly overdrawn my nervous energy, and must go straight away for three months complete rest and change and must live according to a strict regimen . . .

After a spell in Lausanne Eliot seems to have recovered completely, but there was still the problem of Vivien. She herself wrote to Ezra Pound in June 1922 listing her symptoms:

First of all, Colitis. This is, I am told, a symptom in itself. It may apparently be a symptom of anything, nobody seems to know what.

Temperature. I very often have a temperature of 99.4 for two or three weeks at a time for no obvious reason.

Increasing mental incapacity. I have a horror of using my mind and spend most of my time in trying to avoid contact with people or anything that will force me to use my mind.

Physical Exhaustion.

Insomnia. This has been going on for eight years.

Migraines.

On the last day of that year, Eliot wrote to Henry:

Vivien has been very tired since Christmas. She sat up to dinner in the evening on that day for the first time in months . . . she has not been able to deviate in the slightest from the most limited and particular diet, and she has not been able to take ordinary exercise . . . and she has hardly seen anybody . . . I think that the strain of such a mode of life is beginning to tell on her . . .

The strain told on Eliot, too. His wife's recurrent physical and mental ailments were to cause him much anxiety and misery, and in 1932 he formally separated from her. Vivien Eliot died in 1947.

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TOMORROW

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

The writer's revenge

In his latest novel, Dominick Dunne plans a murder. Fionnuala McHugh discovers that it is not entirely fiction

STEPHEN MARKESON



Terror tactics: New York was "terrified of what I was going to say", Dunne says. "There was a woman who called from Palm Beach who cried"

'I wanted to see what it was like to feel that chill and it was very, very interesting'

It is a year since *Woman's Wear Daily* in New York published an unauthorized early draft of Dominick Dunne's new novel, *People Like Us*. He still doesn't know how *WWD* obtained it, but the reaction was spectacular.

Across Manhattan the super wealthy, whom Dunne has spent the past decade dissecting, threw up their manicured hands in horror and fury. *WWD* equated the fictional characters with their apparent real-life counterparts.

"And they also added their own words and descriptions — they said such and such a one was obnoxious or kinky," recalls Dunne. "You don't know what it was like in New York those months before it came out. People were terrified of what I was going to say. There was a woman who called me from Palm Beach who cried, *who cried*.

"And one woman was so upset that I thought I would hate to cause such grief to anybody. So I said, 'Listen, I'll give you the draft for 24 hours.' And she read it and said, 'I don't know what these people are talking about. If that's me — well, that's the way I am.' And she became a big champion of it."

Dunne, 61, a sad-eyed man whose face combines an expression of compassion with a patient weariness, suddenly laughs. "You know, although it was unpleasant, I kind of enjoyed that experience. I wanted to see what it was like to feel that chill and it was very, very interesting. Listen, I'm a writer. I want to have *every* experience I can have."

As it turned out, the legitimate publication of the book six months later cleared him of the charge that he was going to do a Capote on New York society. *La Côte Basque*, Truman Capote's 1976 stab — literally — at depicting what lies behind the refined reaches of these upper echelons, ended in the author's total ostracization. This pained Capote immeasurably: it is hardly an exaggeration to say that it considerably diminished the quality of his remaining years.

Dunne admits that he took Capote's fate as a warning. "Oh, absolutely, but in more ways than one — I mean, look at his death from alcoholism. What he did was a very alcoholic thing to do. He committed public suicide by doing that."

What Dunne does in *People Like Us*, however, is more complex: within its pages he plans a murder. There are two storylines. One concerns the social climbers and restaurant diners of Manhattan's Upper East Side. The other is about a journalist, Gus Bailey. An alcoholic separated from his wife, he was once a Hollywood producer and now writes about famous people for a glossy magazine. His daughter has been murdered. The man who killed her serves a derisory sentence and Bailey seeks revenge.

New York society may argue about whether Claus Von Bulow, Ivan Boesky, Lord Weidenfeld or Elizabeth Taylor grace its pages, but there is no argument about the Gus Bailey role: Dunne, now *Vanity Fair*'s star writer, produced such films as *Ash Wednesday* and *The Users*; he became an alcoholic and divorced his wife, Lenny; his only daughter, Dominique, was strangled in 1982. Dunne has painted a self-portrait of wince-inducing rawness. The character stripped most vulnerable in *People Like Us* is himself.

Dominique's killer, John Sweeney, served less than three years for her death. He is now a chef in one of the most fashionable restaurants in Los Angeles. It does not take much knowledge of psychology to realize that Dunne's fictional alter ego plotting revenge was working out his darkest fantasy. The whole sequence runs in tandem with the bulk of the book, scarcely impinging on the action.

"But there was a point to that," he says. "You go out every night and you talk to people and you have a sub-text to your life that I as your dinner partner know nothing about. It interested me that somebody could have this violence in his life and yet carry on."

He re-wrote the ending three times. Right until the end he could not decide whether the killer should live or die. "It fascinates me always how much people want to get even. I lecture to a lot of victims' groups who have to deal with this thing. And even though I talked about how wrong it is, the fact is I had those same feelings. And as a writer I could create a situation in which I could do what I couldn't do in my life."

Whatever mental anguish had been building up prior to *People Like Us* was undoubtedly released by writing the Bailey revenge section. He agrees it was a safety valve. "It helped in that I no longer have thoughts about doing that."

His commitment to American victims' associations is still strong. He became involved in the Chambers "Yuppie murder case" in which Jennifer Levin was murdered by her boyfriend in what the defence claimed was a bout of "rough sex".

"Mrs Levin called me about 10 days after the murder and came to see me. It seems every time there is a case like that they read *Justice* [the article *Vanity Fair* editor Tina Brown commissioned him to write about Sweeney's trial]. I went to the Chambers trial for two days but I couldn't handle it. I couldn't put myself through it again."

He is an immensely sympathetic man who speaks with deliberation, as though his tragedy has burned off all redundant trimmings of speech. He is also a considerate listener. He says that he loves women and they talk to him at revelatory lengths in his *Vanity Fair* profile.

"I have two women who are very, very important in my life — my editor at Crown, Betty Prashker, the first person who told me I should be a writer, and Tina Brown, the first person who told me I could be a journalist. As a movie producer I used to be in fear a lot of the time of the studio heads; I never really felt relaxed in that world. With Tina and with Betty I feel — well, I think that women understand me."

That women talk to him more than men in his interviews is understandable. He has always described himself as an outsider, ever since his days as the only Irish Catholic at his WASP-dominated school. He has the demeanour of a lonely man and women tend to respond to that.

As a feature writer he is renowned for his fairness, inevitably becoming sympathetic to those whom he profiles, even such an unlikely candidate as Imelda Marcos. "She is terrible, but I felt sympathy for her, even when I knew she was lying to me. I always do." Only Claus Von Bulow, accused of attempting to murder his wife, failed to earn Dunne's compassion.

Now that the fuss about *People Like Us* has died down, he is basking in the success that has come with writing a best-seller. He is even prepared to concede that some of the characters really were based on *actual* people.

Sitting on a sofa in Brown's Hotel, where he always stays when he is in London (its hushed graciousness fits his persona perfectly — neither too opulent nor too downmarket), his eyes light up as he gleefully recounts how the Grimaldi entourage — Prince Rainier, Princess Caroline and her husband — attended a ball in France this summer. "There was a man from New York there arguing with the security guards and holding up their car and supposedly Princess Caroline pointed at him and said to her father, 'That's Ezzie Fenwick' [one of the less likeable characters in *People Like Us*]. I almost fell on the floor laughing when I heard. And do you know, she was right."

● People Like Us, *by Dominick Dunne, is published tomorrow by Sidgwick & Jackson (£12.95)*

School for scandal?

FIRST PERSON

Heather Kirby

The Open University summer schools are now over for the year and no doubt most of the 36,000 consenting adults who attended one of the nine campuses have assured their nearest and dearest that nothing much happened. A substantial percentage will be lying through their teeth. Until this year I had scoffed at stories of sex scandals among the academically upwardly mobile. When I taxed a tutor-counsellor in Brighton about the reality — wimps wearing open-toed sandals and women a little too old to be ravished — she put forward the proposition that perhaps it was all a propaganda exercise got up by the OU because orgies were a more scintillating image than the alternative one of earnest endeavour.

It was an amusing theory but now I know better. At the redbrick I have just been to (I shall leave it anonymous to spare everyone's blushes, not to mention marriages) there were a fair number of feverish extra-curricular activities. I missed the "discussion" in the bushes one lunchtime, although everyone else in my group seemed to have witnessed it. But I did watch the undignified spectacle of a tutor rolling around the floor underneath a table with a nubile girl whose skirt was choking her. There was a sprinkling of *Educating Rita* lookalikes, including one who terrified a shy Geordie gentlemen during Module 3: Men and Women and Society. Apparently she wrapped her legs around him during the sexual ideology session and wouldn't let go.

A GP in our group told us he was woken up at 3am by a naked apparition at the foot of his bed saying: "It's all right it's only me." As he didn't have his glasses on he couldn't tell who it was, although he gathered it was a man and pushed him out the door. "I thought it must be my neighbour who had made a mistake in the dark," he said. But next morning the neighbour had no idea what he was talking about.

In spite of, or perhaps because of, the shenanigans, an extraordinary amount of work gets done at a summer school. The Open University Students Association (OUSA), organizes jolly social events like wet underpants competitions (the male version of the wet T-shirt thing), boat races, tugs-of-war, quiz shows, discos and folk concerts. Once the bars close, private parties erupt in the cell-like bedrooms throughout the campus.

How any adult used to the comforts of home could make love in what were aptly identified as B Block or H Block is a mystery. But then romance is not often a feature of these encounters. I found a poor woman weeping in the ladies' lavatory one evening. Totally unsolicited, this mother of four children told me that if a man was a good dancer he would also be a good lover. Her partner of the previous night was brilliant at both, it seemed. But — and here is the summer school factor — he was married and had made no arrangements to see her again. Hence the tears. What she wanted was company to try and track this Lothario down. Since she was a total stranger, I passed on that one. But I gathered from a neighbour with a softer heart that their evening was spent in a search which ended in an embarrassing confrontation.

Since OU students behaviour cannot be blamed on the heat of the summer, it may have something to do with the course they are studying. In my experience women outnumber men to such an extent in Arts subjects that temptation simply cannot arise. Even when we shared a campus with what one tutor called the "hammerheads" — men studying mechanics — there was no fraternization. At licentious redbrick in August '88, however, there was a mixture of rude mechanicals, an earthy lot of biologists and 200 of us doing the dreaded D102.

For the uninitiated, this is a social science foundation course and, in order to get a degree with the Open University if you have no other qualifications, you have to complete two foundation courses. The five options are Art, Maths, Science, Technology and Social Science, so those among us who are innumerate have no choice at all, which means that a large number of people are doing D102 under sufferance.

If you have a full-time job, children and a home to organize, managing to take a week off for compulsory summer school can be difficult, but the OU insists on its value. It argues that students need the encouragement that studying together brings and reckons that during the middle of a course, when enthusiasm may be flagging, summer school gives them a lift.

This is undoubtedly true, as is the fact that genuine and lasting love matches are made at summer school. But you only have to read the small ads in *Sesame*, the OUSA newspaper, to get a flavour of what else goes on. Although some of the messages are coded, many more leave little to the imagination — which suggests that caution as well as inhibitions are sometimes abandoned by students and tutors alike. How summer school romances end or what people who are in a relationship with a Puma (a partner who is upwardly mobile academically) make of it all is anyone's guess — although it sounds like a subject the student of sociology might find riveting to research.

BRIEFLY

A round-up of news, views and information

A screen in time

Breast cancer affects not just women's health, but their emotional, sex and family life as well. So Dr Amanda Ramirez, a lecturer in psychiatry, is investigating how alternative forms of treatment influence the psychological and social well-being of patients. Many women — despite reassurances that they have as good a chance, in certain cases, with lumpectomy followed by radiotherapy or radioactive implants as with mastectomy — still opt for the more radical surgery, as Nancy Reagan did. Patients and doctors discuss the pros and cons and share case histories in a video available to rent (£5 plus VAT for seven days) or buy (£25 plus VAT) from Plymouth Medical Films, Palace Vaults, 33 New Street, Barbican, Plymouth PL1 2NA (tel 0752 267711). It demonstrates the value of the new screening programmes, which can pick up tiny lumps before mastectomy should even become an option.

Miracle minerals

Most of us by now are familiar with the basic properties of vitamins, but minerals remain shrouded in mystery. Dr Robert Erdmann, an American psychologist who lives in Tunbridge Wells, has spent the past 15 years researching the effectiveness of nutritional supplements, a subject which remains highly controversial. With the journalist Meirion Jones, he has written *Minerals: The Metabolic Miracle Workers* (Century £4.95), a comprehensive guide to the function of minerals and their presence in the food we eat. But the question of dosage is still debatable and self-diagnosis is difficult.

Quote me . . .



"If you become a sportsman you must work yourself into the ground. It is a life of self-flagellation. And it is an ungrateful profession."

Olga Korbut

A soft touch

Sex therapist and agony aunt Anne Hooper, wife of sex therapist and agony uncle Philip Hodgson and mother of three , believes that touch is the key to a loving relationship and that lack of physical contact can lead to disturbed behaviour. "A common denominator among women who attend sexuality workshops is a profound lack of self-esteem," says Hooper. "Some of them haven't been touched for years." Counselling couples who had lost the art of body contact inspired her to write *Massage and Loving* (Unwin Paperbacks, £7.95), published tomorrow. Detailed sketches and instructions cover the range of massage from calming cuddles to passion arousers. Self-massage, pregnancy massage, mother and baby massage and massage for the elderly are included, as well as erotic massage "for adults only". When the body is massaged, reasons Hooper, the ego is too.

Musical dreams

Following hard on the heels of a book paying tribute to the Tiller Girls, the golden age of the Broadway musical is celebrated at the Theatre Museum in Covent Garden in an exhibition, opening today, entitled Wake Up and Dream. Curiously, the material comes not from America but from the theatre collection of the Austrian National Library, which is presenting the show of costume design sketches and slides. Donations by Austrian artists who appeared in America in the Broadway musicals of the first 25 years of the century have made it possible. *Wake Up and Dream* was a show featuring the Viennese dancer Tilly Losch.

Victoria McKee



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Nannies' home help

TALKBACK

From B.E.H. Cotter, Eden Street, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey

Part Five of *The Good Nanny Guide* ("That girl has got to go", September 2) discusses dismissal only in terms of ending the contract of employment. But what about the accommodation which goes with the job?

If nanny has nowhere else to go (particulary if dismissed on the spot) and presents herself to the local Housing Authority, she may well be required to assert her rights of occupation before they will help. Wages of £50 a week or so would qualify nanny for Legal Aid.

Section 8 (2) of the Protection from Eviction Act 1977 enables those enjoying exclusive possession of premises under the terms of their employment to resist eviction without due process of law. In appropriate cases Legal Aid can be obtained over the telephone to obtain *ex parte* mandatory injunctions from the County Court, requiring the employer to restore the employee to occupation and prevent interference with possessions etc.

The employer can then apply for the injunction to be discharged, but it will still be weeks rather than days before the employee can be legally evicted.

The prudent employer might feel better advised not to dismiss summarily — no matter how the circumstances at the time seem to justify it — but pay wages in lieu of notice, work out an agreed reference and interest himself in arrangements for other accommodation in the short term, even if it means paying for a hotel room for a week or so.

From Jane Bebbington, Mill Lane, Headley, Hampshire

I am amazed that Mrs Mosley (*The Good Nanny Guide*, August 29) has only had eight nannies in three years. I would have thought her turnover to be much higher. What young girl would accept such restrictions as not being allowed to blow dry her hair (a perfectly normal practice — hardly a sign of vanity)? Surely Mrs Mosley should be pleased that her nanny dealt with her hair at home rather than taking time off to pay lengthy visits to a hairdresser.

I suspect Mrs Mosley should substitute the word "servant" for "nanny".

TIMES DIARY

ROBERT FISK

Beirut

In Makhoul Street in West Beirut an elderly Armenian runs an antiquarian shop containing more ghosts than any other spot in Lebanon. Not that it stands upon the site of any massacre. But round its walls are 100 photographs of old Beirut, of British soldiers in pith helmes standing outside mosques, of British officers welcoming the French army of the old French mandate, of the city of ornate Ottoman mansions whose red roofs seduced even T.E. Lawrence into declaring the city one of the prettiest he had seen.

The other day, I managed to buy the first timetable for the Beirut-Damascus railway (its embankments torn away and its tunnels blocked in the first fighting of 1976). Murray's 1892 *Handbook for Travellers in Syria and Palestine* shows that the first-class fare cost 110 piastres (about an eighth of a present day penny). Tourists were advised, however, to take the diligence to Chtaura from where they could travel to Baalbek (now the home of some of the most extreme Hezbollah gunmen in the country) and "inspect the ruins next day".

But from that distant world, at least one fact of daily life seems to have survived. Murray warned his readers that "private carriages can be obtained for the entire journey from Beyrout to Baalbek... but the charges are very heavy, and a clear arrangement should be made before starting." Beirut's taxi drivers — among the greediest in the world even now — are clearly following an honoured tradition.

It would be good to report that even in West Beirut a small British community has clung on. Alas, not so. There are a few British wives of Lebanese and at least one retired British businessman who gingerly ventures out of his home for daily shopping and an occasional beer. Only the ghosts of long-departed Britons otherwise remain. The old Duke of Wellington bar off Hamra Street — complete with Whitbread beer mats, draught Lebanese lager and a large portrait of the Iron Duke — is open for a few Anglophile Lebanese clients. The British embassy annexe in West Beirut is normally deserted. The ambassador's former residence near Kantari has been converted into an Islamic orphanage.

The Shia Muslim militia, Amal, announced a few days ago that a fisherman off the coast of southern Lebanon had found the wreck of a Second World War RAF fighter in the sea, with the skeleton of the pilot, and invited the embassy to send a diplomat to inspect the remains. Britain, of course, helped capture Lebanon from the Vichy French in 1941 (among their troops was the young Moshe Dayan who lost his eye fighting the French near the village of Damour just south of Beirut) and until recently I could still see the letters Naafi beside the old British military compound on the road to Sidon.

Even the skull of the eccentric Lady Hester Stanhope, discovered in her broken tomb earlier this summer, has yet to find a home. Alerted by an article in *The Times*, however, a reader, Paul Gotch, noted that next year marks the 150th anniversary of her death and offered to take charge of the skull if it could be got out of Lebanon. Carrying so venerable an object past the Syrian soldiers, secret service agents and militiamen who throng Beirut airport would constitute one of the more extraordinary episodes of smuggling in Beirut's history.

BARRY FANTONI



'With Gary's form at the moment, we could end up champions'

When the abduction of foreigners reached its height four years ago — and after three kidnap victims were murdered in revenge for the US bombing raid on Libya — all but a handful of Western journalists high-tailed it to Cyprus, leaving Lebanese journalists working for Western news organizations to hold the fort. They have certainly won their spurs.

Many of the journalists are women — kidnappers seem to prefer male victims. But none the less they travel to cover Israeli air strikes and inter-militia battles. Some are remarkably young. The senior photographer in Reuter's Beirut office is in her early twenties; Associated Press in Beirut employs three women reporters and Nora Boustany, who won last year's George Polk US Prize for International Reporting, has just been taken on to the staff of the *Washington Post*.

When the Western correspondents do eventually return, it will be interesting to see if they pay due respect to the Lebanese journalists who have so ably — and courageously — filled their shoes.

One story Washington has tried to keep under wraps is the fact that five US military advisers still quietly train Lebanese army personnel in Christian East Beirut. One of them recently survived an assassination attempt while jogging in a wood near his compound. The Americans kept that secret, too.

Curiously, the Stars and Stripes still flies over the US annexe in West Beirut, a bunker-like concrete box in which no American diplomats have worked for five years but which nevertheless represents America's "presence" in that part of the city. Shia Muslim gunmen are paid to guard it. So every evening at sundown, a moustachioed young Shia named Hussein — from an area of southern Lebanon known for its advocacy of anti-American suicide bombers — has the honour of hauling down Old Glory.

Woodrow Wyatt marks the card for the Privatization Stakes

A winner for the Tote

Usually candidates for privatization are nationalized industries owned by the state into which taxpayers' money has been poured and lost. This is not so with the Tote, now the subject of a Home Office-commissioned feasibility study on privatization by Lloyds Merchant Bank.

The Government does not own the Tote, any more than it owned the Trustee Savings Bank. No taxpayers' money has ever been lent or given to the Tote. The Home Office has expressly disowned the Tote, stating that the Government would never honour any liabilities incurred by it.

The only owner of the Tote is the Tote Board itself, whose members are appointed by the Government through the Home Office. Obviously if there were a clash of views, which there never has been since 1976 when I became chairman, the Government could appoint a board agreeable to its wishes: a situation I cannot envisage.

Doubtless on any flotation of the Tote the Government could ask Parliament to allow it a share of the proceeds (something for nothing), though that would be highly immoral, and this is a very moral government which does not believe in confiscation of other people's assets.

Curiously, since the Horserace Betting Levy Board was set up in 1961 the Tote has had no statutory instructions as to what to do with its profits other than develop its business. Nevertheless the Tote, conscious that its health is linked to that of horseracing, has been more helpful to racing than the normal commercial undertaking would be. In the current financial year racecourses will receive 56 per cent of the net profits of the Tote on course operations.

The Tote's yearly sponsorship programme at around £400,000 is by far the largest of any betting organization, being three to four times bigger than that of three of the big four bookmakers. The Tote enables racecourses to complete building projects by giving them more than the actual cost of the provision of Tote facilities.

It has been argued that on privatization, racecourses should run their own totes. This the Tote would resist. Even if a few of the most prosperous courses were grouped together they would need costly administrations, duplicating what the Tote does already.

The Tote's highly cost-effective supplementary staff operators cannot by any means all be drawn from the locality of the course they work at. Racecourses operating totes would each need to duplicate the elaborate and expensive security system run by the Tote to prevent manipulation of dividends, defrauding both punters and the Tote.

They would have to spend up to £3 million apiece on increasingly high-tech betting equipment now used by the Tote and moved around the 59 courses. This is not the US with far larger attendances than British racecourses: Aqueduct has 174 race days a year, Santa Anita in California 124 and Belmont in New York state 114 days, and so on. Here the average annual days racing per racecourse is 17½.

Most racecourses would make a loss if they ran totes to the standards now expected by the racing public. Why should they put at risk the 56 per cent of the steadily rising net profits of Tote pools they now receive?

Greyhound tracks run their own totes but they have much smaller attendances and do not require the Tote's highly sophisticated equipment. It is well-known that the dividends can be and are manipulated, which is why bookmakers generally, including the big four and the Tote, will not allow punters to bet at greyhound tote odds in their betting shops. The same would happen with racecourse totes.

The Tote credit operation has 28 per cent of its turnover in betting at Tote odds. This would cease if racecourses operated their own totes. So would the revenue the Tote receives from licensing bookmakers to offer Tote odds in their betting shops, which aids the contribution the Tote provides to racing.

The main object of privatizing the Tote is to raise money from the public to develop its high tech further and faster and to compete on more equal terms with the big four in the buying of betting offices.

The Tote is nearly always outbid when it tries to add to its chain of 122 betting offices because it has to borrow money at 1.5 per cent over Bank rate, whereas bookmakers belonging to public companies can in part or in whole issue shares for the purchase or call upon the resources provided by hotel and other operations, which were often created from earlier profits in bookmaking.

The Tote was not allowed to have bookmaking-style offices between 1961 and 1972 when the ordinary bookmakers were able to acquire some 14,000 monopolies by getting licences from local magistrates which cannot be lost without grave misbehaviour. The Tote's attempts to open new betting offices since 1972 have been shackled by the refusal of magistrates to allow new betting shops in areas they consider already fully supplied with them.

In its pool operations the Tote is not a monopoly, having only 1.5 per cent of all horseracing betting turnover. But its competitive existence prevents the big four (with more than 50 per cent of the market) and other bookmakers from establishing a complete monopoly in betting.

What the Tote has is an exclusive licence to operate Tote pools, and this must continue as a *sine qua non* of privatization. Here it would be reasonable for the Government to earn something through the Tote paying an annual licence fee based on its turnover in Tote operations.

It would also be essential by means of a golden share or a restriction on bookmakers' holdings to prevent bookmakers acquiring control of the Tote and thus establishing an absolute monopoly.

Racing, perhaps through the racecourses and the Jockey Club, should be offered substantial shareholdings in a privatized Tote so that racing could benefit from a direct share in the profits as well as in the manner it does now. The Tote would be happy to have enshrined in its new constitution an element of its profits allocated to racing.

A bigger and faster-expanding Tote must be of still greater benefit to racing and any breaking up of it would be a disaster. These, including shares for employees, are some of the points which the Tote will be concentrating on with its advisers, Hambros Bank.

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Conor Cruise O'Brien

Raking over the Pledge

Philadelphia



The federal budget deficit has not been an issue in the present election campaign. The fact that it is not an issue helps George Bush. Because, if you talk about the economy, without alluding to that colossal deficit, entirely created during the Reagan years, the Reagan record on the economy looks just fine.

Dukakis would love to be able to hammer away at that Reagan deficit, but he is afraid. What scares him is the political ghost of Walter Mondale. In the 1984 campaign Mondale not only hammered away at the deficit but bravely promised to raise taxation if he became president. Bravely, even unto death, politically speaking. The Mondale-Ferraro ticket carried only one state: Mondale's own.

Michael Dukakis, on the other hand, running not against Reagan but against the Bush-Quayle ticket, knows he does have quite a good chance of winning. So he is not about to blow it by harping on the deficit.

If Dukakis has adequate reasons for keeping off the subject of the deficit, Bush certainly has no reason for bringing it up. Once the deficit, as a campaign issue, is bundled safely out of the way, "the state of the economy" becomes a Republican electoral property. "Reagan prosperity", with the risk of losing it by voting for the Democrats, provides the most solid basis for Republican hopes of victory.

The Republican campaign, while regularly reminding voters how much they have to lose, has been careful not to lay too much stress on "Reagan prosperity". That prosperity has been unevenly distributed and some key groups of voters — including some of those precious "Reagan Democrats" — feel they have not been getting their fair share. So the Republican strategy has been to let Reagan prosperity speak for itself most of the time, and concentrate on the leap in the dark the country would be taking if it voted in a Democratic president.

"Michael Dukakis doesn't believe in God and he doesn't believe in America. Would your country's future be safe in the hands of such a man?" That is the main Republican message in this election. It has to be put across in coded form, but the code is easy to crack.

The main carrier of the coded message is the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States. Bush presented that issue, in his acceptance speech at the New Orleans Republican convention, in the following words: "Should school teachers be required to lead our children in the Pledge of Allegiance? My opponent says no — but I say yes." That got a big cheer from the delegates. It has been a leading theme of Republican oratory ever since and it has the Democrats worried.

In terms of Republican rhetoric, especially during this campaign, the Pledge of Allegiance — always with initial capitals, unless you are some kind of liberal — ranks on a par with the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution as one of the foundation stones of American freedom.

Actually, the P of A is of more modern and more modest origins. It was quite unknown, not only to George Washington and the other Founding Fathers, but also to Abraham Lincoln and the founders of the Republican Party.

It was invented in 1892, by a boy's paper, apparently to boost circulation. In its original form, the Pledge ran: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States and to the republic for which it stands, one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all". It seems that the Pledge first began to be pushed in earnest by politicians, mainly Republican, in the great Red scare that followed the First World War and the Russian revolution. After the Second World War, with the onset of the cold war, Dwight Eisenhower took up the Pledge in a big way, and made a significant amendment to it, changing "one nation" to read "one nation under God".

It was Eisenhower's grand and simple strategy to get across the message that the Republican Party is pro-God and pro-American, while the Democratic Party is anti-God and anti-American. That strategy worked well for Eisenhower, and even better for Ronald Reagan, and the Bush camp seems fairly confident that it will work for it, too.

The Pledge of Allegiance has been more salient in this election campaign than in any previous one. This is because the Democratic candidate is vulnerable, specifically in relation to the Pledge. As governor of Massachusetts, Dukakis vetoed a law passed by the Massachusetts legislature which required all teachers to lead their pupils in reciting the P of A.

Dukakis applied the veto on the basis of an advisory opinion from the State Supreme Court that such a measure would be unconstitutional. The State Supreme Court's opinion was no doubt affected by a federal Supreme Court decision, laying down that it was unconstitutional to expel children from school for failure to recite a Pledge of Allegiance required by state law (in West Virginia).

The Supreme Court judgment contained language which would not have elicited any applause at the New Orleans convention. The following for example: "If there is any fixed star in our constitutional constellation, it is that no official, high or petty, can prescribe what shall be orthodox in politics, nationalism, religion, or other matters of opinion or force citizens to confess by word or act their faith therein."

If George Bush becomes the next president, that "fixed star in our constitutional constellation" may well have become a black hole by the time the new president gets around to appointing a sufficient number of new justices. (I say "may well" because justices don't necessarily do the things those who appoint them expect of them.)

Constitutionally, Dukakis appears to be on good ground. But electorally, that does not do him much good. He is being accused of being against the Pledge: that is to say, against the nation and against God. When he replies that he is not against the Pledge, but only against unconstitutional compulsion to recite it, he doesn't make a favourable impression on the large non-cerebral section of the electorate. He sounds like a smart-ass East Coast intellectual liberal, thus making Bush's point about him all over again.

Realizing this, Dukakis last week switched tactics on this point. He stopped talking about the Constitution and instead made televised appearances against the background of a large American flag, with American soldiers in uniform at his side. In case that might be too subtle, Dukakis then posed in a tank, holding a gun and going "rat-a-tat-tat" into the television cameras.

Of course, Dukakis making like Rambo sounds like a bloody fool. But electorally speaking, it is safer in America to sound like a bloody fool than to sound like an intellectual, as the respective political careers of Ronald Reagan and Adlai Stevenson are there to demonstrate.

Many people are getting impatient with the unreality of the campaign at this stage, with all the flag-waving and the neglect of issues. As one commentator put it last week, "George Bush's policy on the federal deficit is to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at it, until it goes away". A good point, but one which Dukakis seems precluded from making during the campaign.

It is still a close race, and seems likely to be decided by the two debates, the first of which will be on Sunday next. Dukakis's aim in the debates will naturally be to win — but without sounding like an intellectual.

Commentary • PAUL BEW

Let Ulster speak

The public debate in response to the latest spiral of IRA violence has been a depressing one. There has been much discussion of options, such as capital punishment and selective internment, which are quite simply not on any realistic political agenda. What is needed is the implementation of a sensitive political package designed to reduce some of the causes of Northern Ireland's instability.

First, we need to know the true situation there. The Anglo-Irish Agreement has ushered in a more unstable form of direct rule, largely because it has failed to isolate Sinn Fein and the IRA. The IRA has substantially increased its violent activities — as have Loyalist killers — and, more important, Sinn Fein has held its share of the vote: 11.4 per cent in last year's general election against 11.8 per cent in 1985, on the eve of the agreement.

Hence the decision by John Hume, leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, to open up protracted talks with Sinn Fein at a time when the Government hoped for a very different Unionist/SDLP dialogue leading to internal accommodation between constitutional parties.

Gerry Adams of Sinn Fein can now afford to praise the "educative effects" of the Anglo-Irish Agreement because it has created a new distrust between the British government and the Unionists. In Sinn Fein's view, the evidence suggests that Britain's resolve to stay in Northern Ireland is weakening, and that the IRA is now working with the grain of history.

In this new and unexpected context, what can the Government now do? There is no magical panacea in the security field; rather it is a question of political strategy. The key point to grasp is the vital importance of separating the perceived process of creeping unification from the process of internal reform. In the pursuit of "equality of treatment" within Northern Ireland, the Government is entitled to push through reforms in fair employment and other areas which are opposed by significant numbers of Unionists.

However, it has failed — in terms of political actions, not sweet words — to underline its commitment to the principle that a united Ireland can come about only through the consent of a majority in the North.

The device for doing this lies easily to hand, and is on the statute book. The 1973 Constitution Act specifies that there will be "periodic" (ten years is mentioned) plebiscites on unification. The commitment to hold one in the near future and another ten years from now would send a signal to the Unionists, the constitutional nationalists and the Provos that Britain accepts the democratic basis of partition.

The people who say the Provos can be defeated only politically are correct; the problem is that having weathered the challenge of the Anglo-Irish Agreement, the Provos have emerged with renewed self-confidence. As Adams said recently: "The British always adopt stiff upper lips in these circumstances. There is a long history of them putting up an intransigent front while making arrangements to go."

A "border" poll would send an unmistakable signal that this is not the case. The poll in 1973 produced 591,000 votes in favour of the UK link. This is more than the combined Unionist vote of 380,000 in the 1987 general election and implies at least a degree of cross-community acceptance of the Union.

For this reason, some SDLP people will criticize the holding of such a poll, but they will continue to support the agreement and will be no less likely than they already are to reach that elusive internal deal with the Unionists.

It is important also to have clarification of the Opposition's position. Labour is at present committed to "unity by consent", but doubts exist as to its sincerity. Kevin McNamara, Labour's front-bench spokesman on Northern Ireland, has recently rather optimistically expressed a desire to be the last Northern Ireland Secretary, and this seems to suggest an incredibly short timetable for the winning of such consent. This, and similar statements by McNamara, add to the general air of instability in the province.

The Government should simultaneously move to alleviate the material basis of nationalist discontent. Too much of the concern so far has been with the purely symbolic and cultural expressions of alienation; it is to be hoped that no one believes the recent aid package to West Belfast is enough.

As the Northern Ireland problem becomes more, rather than less intractable, the Government's options are progressively narrowing. It can govern more sensitively and with more reflection — and here measures to improve the way Northern Ireland's business is handled at Westminster are highly desirable — or it can make impotent denunciations of violence and wildly optimistic comments about an imminent political breakthrough.

There are other means in the long term of deepening the respect of the two traditions within Northern Ireland. So far the Government's policy has raised fears within the Protestant community — without mollifying them — and raised expectations among the Roman Catholics without satisfying them.

The immediate problem is for the Government to make it clear that it will not be moved on the principle of majority consent.

This can be done without detracting in any way from policies which it has already entered into to improve the condition of the minority community, or may be persuaded to enter into in the future.

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SEPT 21 **ON THIS DAY** 1789

The first part of this court session was taken up with the trial of two young men for highway robbery in Epping Forest. The eight prisoners here mentioned who were offered the choice of death or transportation were again brought before the Recorder, when three of them changed their minds and agreed to transportation.

A DAY AT THE OLD BAILEY

SENTENCE

Was next passed on the prisoners by Mr Recorder.

54 prisoners were sentenced to be transported for the space of seven years, to such places beyond the seas as his Majesty, with the advice of his Privy Council, should be pleased to declare and appoint.

16 Prisoners were sentenced to six months hard labour in the house of correction, and then to be discharged.

12 Prisoners were sentenced to be publicly whipped, and then to be discharged.

Wm Power, who was tried for the murder of Wilkinson, of Whitechapel, and convicted of manslaughter, was burnt in the hand in the Court, with a hot iron, and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment in Newgate; after an excellent admonition from the Recorder, in which he explained the reason why he was not punished with death.

HIGH TREASON

George Dawson for coining, received sentence by himself, which was, that he should be taken from hence to the place, *from whence he came*, and that from thence to be drawn on a hurdle to a place of execution, etc.

PARDON

His Majesty's pardon was also offered to 65 prisoners, who had likewise been convicted of capital offences, upon condition that they be transported to the Eastern coast of New South Wales for the term of of their natural lives. They all accepted of his Majesty's most gracious pardon except eight who positively refused it.

Mr Recorder addressed them as follows:

I think it my duty to inform you of the very perilous situation in which you now stand. By the indulgence of a very kind Sovereign, life has been spared to give you an opportunity of becoming better men in a different situation. I shall for the moment throw aside the character of the Judge . . . I address you as a friend to unfortunate men, and recommend it most sincerely not to throw away those lives, which you have an opportunity of saving. Having given you that advice, I shall now resume the character of a Judge, and tell you, that the Administration of the justice of this country will not be sported with by men of this description, and if you will not accept his Majesty's most gracious pardon under those conditions which he has been pleased to appoint, as soon as the Sheriffs are prepared you will be ordered to immediate execution.

The prisoners said, they had been born and bred in a free country, and therefore they preferred death to slavery. They were then ordered to be put separately into condemned cells.

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EUROPEAN THATCHERISM

The Prime Minister went to the College of Europe in Bruges yesterday and took her message about *Britain and Europe* to what could be seen as hostile territory. She came as a missionary to a half-converted tribe — a tribe that had understood the advantages of unity in a competitive world, but needed guidance about much else.

To her credit, Mrs Thatcher spoke of the British as full-blooded Europeans who had both benefited by their European identity and done much to contribute to the better aspects of it. That she dwelt on the good things of Europe was a welcome and appropriate introduction to her address, as was the optimism with which she spoke of future European co-operation.

Yet the Europe of which the Prime Minister spoke was not quite the Europe of which our partners speak. It was not, or not only, the 12-member European Community. Nor was it just a Community expanded to take in more members. It was a wider Europe that encompassed its lost part — the states now incorporated into the Warsaw Pact — and one with more historical resonance, that was bound by civilized values and the rule of law. It was not only an economic and political entity, but needed a common defence as well.

Mrs Thatcher's Europe is also a community brought together by voluntary co-operation. It is a group of self-interested states joined by the recognition that in certain areas — like economic affairs and defence — they will be better equipped to face the giants of the outside world.

For the rest, it is a thoroughly Thatcherite Europe: inspired by the ideals of enterprise and individualism; deregulated, economically efficient and non-interventionist. National identity remains firmly in place, as do national frontiers. The proposed central bank is considered unnecessary; the common accounting unit, the Ecu, should be more widely used.

There is nothing wrong in any of this. Our partners can well be reminded that unless the Community is built on sound economic foundations and is capable of defending itself, its very existence — let alone its prosperity — may be endangered. She is right, too, to insist that the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy is a priority, and that the Community should not be complacent despite the reforms already set in train.

Her argument that a more united Europe should mean less regulation and less centralization, is unimpeachable. So is her insistence that in many areas — exchange controls, deregulation of airfares — Britain is ahead of many European countries.

Yet our partners in the European Community will surely sense that along with all the Prime Minister's undoubted commitment to Europe, her Europe and theirs are distinct. Hers is both a grander vision — in geographical and historical breadth — and a more limited one in terms of what in her view can realistically be achieved.

France, Germany and other countries which consider themselves the core of the European Community will be wondering why Europe, rather than the Community, was Mrs Thatcher's unit of calculation for the future. They may also wonder why their vision of eventual political and economic harmony, if not unity, was not addressed more directly.

The answer probably lies somewhere between personal temperament and objective realism. Mrs Thatcher, like many in Britain, is a European as Britons were Europeans before the First World War. She sees a whole Continent, where others see man-made groupings of nations. At the same time, she recognizes that full European unity may not be a practicable objective. She is honest where our partners are idealistic. Their point is that there is a place for ideals.

CRIME AND THE VICTIM

The guidance note issued to the courts by the Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, on compensation for criminal violence contains a glimpse of a moral truth which has been almost universally forgotten: that crime is primarily an offence against individuals rather than an offence against "society". Mr Hurd has now reminded the courts that the malice in a violent act lies in the injury it does to another, and that the way to instil this in the culprit is to make him pay compensation to his victim.

The enforcement of such payments was already possible under existing law, but the 1988 Criminal Justice Act actively encourages it by requiring courts to give reasons why they are not awarding compensation. The Home Secretary has now repeated what is becoming a favourite theme: that individuals must take responsibility for the consequences of their actions. This responsibility is made especially clear when the punishment fits the crime.

Compensation for personal injury is already provided for in the legal system, both by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board and, in a more cumbersome procedure, by the civil courts which may award damages for assault. These have served a need, but they have not been sufficient. The statutory system, in particular, has been open to the criticism that it was the State which was attempting to make good damage which had been done by an individual lawbreaker.

Resort to the civil courts for damages for compensation has largely been a theoretical remedy, which is why the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board came into being in the first place. But the separation of the civil from the criminal consequences of a violent act was a false dichotomy. It only encouraged the mistaken impression that there were two distinct aspects to the matter, an offence against the law being different from an offence against the individual.

The Home Secretary is right to insist they are the same. He is also right to propose that compensation should, in certain cases, be the only criminal penalty, and should always take precedence over a fine.

Criminal compensation should normally be ordered by the courts in every appropriate case, not just in those where the individual specifically asks for it. The Home Secretary's guidance requires the police to assist the court with information concerning the degree of injury, and a tariff of levels of compensation has now been circulated.

The courts would do well to take this part of the sentencing process much more seriously than they do at present, and treat it — not as they sometimes seem to do — as a casual afterthought to the main proceedings, but as the main point. If they are not satisfied with the details of the injury before them, for instance, they should call for further evidence.

The new provisions are open to two objections. First, because they perpetuate the link between criminal and victim, some victims may feel that they could be a target for reprisals. The courts must ensure that any such instances are dealt with severely and that the convicted criminal is made fully aware that any intimidation of the victim will result in loss of remission or further charges.

The second objection is that the actual payment of money to the victim will depend on the culprit's complying with a court order. If he defaults, the victim would lose what was his due. The Magistrates' Association has suggested that the funds should come out of the court's resources, and then be recovered by the courts from the defendant in the same way that a fine is extracted. But this would break the moral link between the payer and the recipient which is the virtue of the proposed scheme.

The purpose is not just to ensure that those injured are compensated — that is provided for already. It is primarily to demonstrate to the criminal his personal responsibility for damage. If it is to do that, it has to hurt.

A CHRISTIAN HOUR

The proposal to move one modest religious programme from early Sunday evening to some other time of day seems at first glance innocuous enough to suggest the conclusion that those who want to do it should be allowed to get on with it. But the Central Religious Advisory Committee, which is to consider the matter at its meeting tomorrow, would do well to resist the idea on principle.

Whatever assurances might be given to the contrary, such a change would mark the beginning of the end of popular religious broadcasting and the relegation of such items to the television ghettos reserved for minority interests. The best argument is not that this would be bad for the vested interests of organized religion in Britain, but that it is a misreading of popular taste and culture by the very people who regard themselves as experts in this field.

From time to time programme schedulers in BBC television and the ITV network have looked covetously at the privileged place reserved for religion on the Sunday evening broadcasting menu, and whispered to themselves and each other that there were a thousand good reasons for dispatching it to limbo. And it cannot be denied that the protected period, or "God slot" as they derisively call it, grew out of an arrangement that sounds odd to modern ears.

Originally there was no television at all at this time on a Sunday, to prevent people being seduced from their duty to attend evening service. Programmes were eventually permitted, but only on condition that they offered an alternative form of pious activity. Instead of being at church, in other words, the viewing public was to be allowed to watch other people at church, and so participate vicariously.

Thus popular religious television was born, and in due course *Stars on Sundays* and *Songs of Praise* became household names. The latter survives; the former has been turned into a series called *Highway* of not dissimilar format; and the viewers seem relatively happy. But the schedulers, of course, are not for they have raised — or think they have — the construction of evening television schedules to an art form.

They have discovered a television version of the old (probably apocryphal) Jesuit saying: catch a viewer by seven o'clock and he is yours for the rest of the evening. They feel they should be starting the Sunday evening ratings battle at precisely the time when they have least control over it, because the broadcasting space they would like to fill is already committed to religious television by a long-standing arrangement. So they want to move *Highway*.

The "free market" argument for the change is about as inappropriate as the claim from certain ITV sources that it would enable devotees of religious programmes to watch both *Highway* and *Stars on Sundays* which are now transmitted simultaneously. No sensible free marketeer would dream of suggesting that the character of the British Sunday, or the place of religion in national life, should be governed by no other consideration than the thirst for commercial profit. Once the ITV network started to use the early Sunday evening slot for whatever purpose was of most assistance to its ratings strategy, the BBC could not be restrained from doing likewise.

The programmes themselves are well watched and much appreciated. Religion is not the spent force in British society that some in the broadcasting world seem to wish it to be. Far more people go to church than to football matches each week, and public opinion polls consistently find a substantial majority for the view that religion is an important part of life, even among those who rarely darken a church porch on Sundays.

Religion on television may not have quite the same pace or audience appeal as a soap opera or quiz show, but the standard is high and the content often meaningful and moving. It should stay where it is.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unease over sacked midwife

From the Reverend Dr Edward Carpenter

Sir, The recent case of Miss Jilly Rosser who, in highly exceptional circumstances, took a patient to hospital in her own car and was subsequently struck off the Registrar of Midwives by a professional tribunal (report, September 12) has caused widespread unease. Indeed, it may lead many to question the procedure and remit under which this body discharges its business: if its terms of reference are confined to determining, factually and objectively, whether the rules have been strictly observed, then its members deserve sympathy.

Most of us, I think, know enough about the birth of a baby to realise that a midwife can find herself in a dynamically worsening situation where reference to the rule book does not help her. She must then, without the advantages of hindsight, make an immediate judgement drawing upon her own experience, knowledge and training — and act accordingly. Indeed it is in the interests of all concerned that she should.

Miss Rosser was found guilty of "misconduct", this being defined in the statutory instrument governing the tribunal as conduct "unworthy of a midwife". I was myself present at two sessions of Miss Rosser's hearing when much time was spent in argument as to what "unworthy" means in this context.

Whatever the answer it must, surely, have moral implications and relate to motive and intention. It is, I suggest, no encouragement to midwives if resorting to an honest and responsible use of one's own judgement is condemned as "unworthy", especially when, as in this case, no harm had come to either mother or child. I confess to coming away from the tribunal feeling in my bones and in my head that justice had neither been done nor been seen to be done.

Yours faithfully,
EDWARD CARPENTER,
6 Selwyn Avenue,
Richmond, Surrey.

Hospice services

From Lieutenant-Colonel A. M. Cooper

Sir, It would be a great pity if your readers were to think that Dr Ahmedzai's letter (September 3) represented the norm for hospices in partnership with the NHS.

Our hospice took in its first patient in February, 1979. Since then over 2,300 patients have come to the hospice; of these between a quarter and a third have come direct from NHS hospitals thus clearing their beds. The hospice receives no financial aid from the NHS — both the neighbouring DHAs (district health authorities) are grateful for the service which is provided but neither have any money to give to the hospice.

Our drugs and medical stores come from the NHS but we have to pay for them. All the nurses are paid at Whitley rates, all have been regraded and all have been paid their back pay. The estimated running costs for this financial year is £540,000 — this amount we have to find from the public.

To rub salt in the wound, last week we were told that we would have to pay our local DHA an annual sum if we wished to carry on receiving photocopies of the Department of Health hazard memoranda which to date have been free.

Yours faithfully,
A. M. COOPER
(Hon. House Governor),
Phyllis Tuckwell Memorial Hospice,
Waverley Lane,
Farnham, Surrey.
September 12.

Down on the farm

From Mrs Oliver Lever

Sir, In 1936, my father, Kenelm Armytage, wrote the following ode, playing on the names of his farm staff:

When *Leaves* have fallen in
the *Woods*
Our Cox will moult — a
sorry sight;
We'll heap the *Coles* upon the fire
Until it *Bearnes* up nice
and bright.
But summer comes to end
our woes
Of soddened feet and
reddened nose,
Where all was white with
winter snows
A lovely *Greenfield* greets our toes.

Yours faithfully,
JOAN LEVER,
Blackacre, Park Road,
Plumtree, Nottingham.
September 19.

Prince's views on screen violence

From Mr Michael Relph

Sir, Spokesmen for the film and television industries have been singularly inept in their response to Prince Charles's speech at the opening of the Museum of the Moving Image (report, September 16). In attacking the level of violence on our screens the Prince was expressing sentiments shared by the great majority of people and the makers of films and television programmes should have been quick to recognise the fact.

Had they done so their reminders that much has already been done to control the abuse and that we are now one of the most heavily censored societies in the free world would have carried more weight.

As it was the industry spokesmen appeared to be defending gratuitous violence and Mr Michael Winner, with characteristic bad manners, reminded the Prince that he was lucky to live in an age when he was unlikely to be dragged from his palace by the mob and beheaded.

Such apparent insensitivity to public feeling plays into the hands of bigots who advocate the boycott of a seriously religious film like *The Last Temptation of Christ* and those with a vested interest in prudery like Mrs Mary Whitehouse.

Yours sincerely,
MICHAEL RELPH,
The Lodge, Primrose Hill Studios,
Fitzroy Road, NW1.
September 19.

From Mrs Jan Thoren

Sir, As a concerned parent I would like to thank Prince Charles for voicing the anxiety of many.

Surely the distasteful scenes of violence cannot solely be viewed in news and current affairs programmes, as Michael Grade would suggest, nor indeed would we wish a diet of "flower arranging" as Michael Winner mockingly offered as an alternative. What is wrong with entertainment?

Can we not laugh, cry, gain information, be mystified, and indeed suffer occasional harrowing experiences, but please in good taste, something so lacking in modern every-day Britain.

Long may HRH champion the cause!

Yours faithfully,
JAN THOREN,
Bracklands House, Hazel Grove,
Hindhead, Surrey.
September 17.

From Mr George Goyder

Sir, The Prince of Wales has spoken for thousands, perhaps millions, of us in his attack on violence in the media. Speaking the truth has never been easy and requires a rare courage. All the more should we be grateful to his Royal Highness.

The fierce reaction of the trade betrays a guilty conscience. Perhaps the film makers and other media men will contemplate an even higher authority than the Prince of Wales. Our Lord said (Mark ix, 42)

whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE GOYDER,
Mansel Hall,
Long Melford,
Sudbury, Suffolk.
September 16.

Cosmetic surgery

From the Reverend Jonathan S. Carey

Sir, The death of young Simon Boot (report, August 31), after suffering an adverse reaction to anaesthetic during an operation to correct his prominent ears, is indeed sad. Yet I hope parents of such children will not now rule out such elective cosmetic surgery in future.

Prominent ears attract ridicule in countries throughout the world, and not just in Britain, as stated by the President of the British Association of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons. Nicknames such as "bat", "Dumbo", *oreille "décollée"* and *orejas en "asa"* are fairly common — and universally cruel. Such ridicule, by young and old alike, can lead to permanent psychological scarring. It is not the general case that the person somehow grows to accept his ears in time.

Normally surgeons prefer to operate when the child is about six and becoming increasingly aware of body image in relation to peers. Waiting until 12, as with Simon Boot, would seem to suggest he took an active part in the surgical decision-making process and elected correction. The risks and benefits must have been considered to some extent.

His death is unquestionably tragic, one of those freak, unaccountable statistical occurrences that calls every surgical act into question (and especially those relating to elective cosmetic surgery). Yet for over 100 years countless numbers of patients have experienced a vastly improved quality of life as a direct result of such surgery.

Surgically, theologically, psychologically, and ethically speaking, the correction of prominent ears is justified and good, even though minimal risks exist as they do in every surgical procedure.

Yours faithfully,
JONATHAN S. CAREY,
1 Eaton Mews West, SW1.

The new Princess

From Mr Randle Manwaring

Sir, It is well known that the Church of England changes but slowly and sometimes imperceptibly. I personally think it would be fair to say that one of the changes in mood which has crept across Anglicanism in the last two decades has been a more meaningful attitude to the rite of Christian initiation, viz., baptism.

Once it was a private affair and often looked upon by the family concerned as little more than a social occasion with a religious flavour. Now it is unusual for the sacrament of Holy Baptism to take place on a Sunday afternoon since Canon B21 states that this shall be administered on Sundays at public worship when the most number of people come together, that the congregation there present may witness the receiving of them that be newly baptised into Christ's Church.

I have read that a suggestion was made that Princess Beatrice should be baptised in York Minster. What a splendid idea. For the new member of the Royal Family to be baptised at a service of public worship, and so be welcomed as a new member of the Church, would set an excellent example and help to underline the significance of the sacrament.

Yours truly,
RANDLE MANWARING,
Marbles Barn,
Newick, East Sussex.
September 13.

Haydn's 'Austria'

From Professor L. J. Herbst

Sir, The use of Haydn's "Austria" in the hymnody of the English Church is not confined to "Glorious things of thee are spoken" (Mr C. Slater, September 15). It is also an alternative — very much a preferred alternative in my experience — for "Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him". English hymnals call the tune "Austria" or "Austrian hymn" in recognition of its use for the Austrian national anthem. It occupied that role not only in Habsburg Austria, but also in the First Republic (1919-1938).

Haydn was stimulated to write the music for the Austrian anthem after a visit to London. Greatly impressed by the majestic "God save our gracious Queen", he desired a tune of equal splendour for Austria. His brilliant transposition of the theme from *op.* 76 was the result.

The melody itself originated in Yugoslavia: Haydn adapted it from a Croatian folk song.

Yours sincerely,
L. J. HERBST,
Teesside Polytechnic,
School of Information Engineering,
Divison of Electronic & Computer Engineering,
Middlesbrough, Cleveland.
September 19.

Children's fares

From Mrs Linda Bagwell

Sir, Perhaps your readers could explain a curious anomaly. In this country compulsory education continues until the age of 16, yet during the course of the school holidays my 14-year-old son has been classed as an adult for bus and train fares, on a ferry to the Isle of Wight and when paying entrance fees to various museums and exhibitions.

Surely it would be common sense to bring the definition of charging at adult rates to 16 on all occasions. Even then, some youngsters who have early autumn birthdays would be classed as adult while still receiving nearly a year of full-time education, but this would be preferable to the present wide variation.

Yours faithfully,
LINDA BAGWELL,
2 Alexandra Road,
Andover, Hampshire.

Control of floods

From Mr Graham Searle

Sir, As a result of a recently completed two-year assessment of major World Bank projects, during which I examined the enormous dam and irrigation programme in the west of India known as the Narmada development project, I am unable to accept Mr Haws's reassurance (September 15) that large dams bestow many benefits and that one of these is greater flood control.

I would refer your readers to a paper by Bharat Dogra, one of India's leading conservationists, entitled *The Indian Experience of Large Dams*, in which he irrefutably observes that rates of siltation have consistently been underestimated and that severe erosion problems leading to rapid siltation have been experienced primarily due to the failure to prevent deforestation of the catchment. In a number of cases, observed siltation rates are not just more than anticipated, but dramatically so.

Heavy siltation results, Dogra observes, not only in the life-shortening of reservoirs, but also in a loss of flood-control capacity: a silted-up reservoir simply cannot contain the flood waters it was designed to receive. Management practices can exacerbate this situation.

Power shortages can undercut multi-purpose management by requiring a head of water to be maintained for power generation even in the rainy season when water levels should be low enough to enable flood waters to be accommodated.

Dogra quotes a number of cases in which dams have had to be opened and waters rapidly released when flood waters threatened to exceed the physical integrity of their structures. Far from flood-control benefits being derived, he claims, "in recent years, heavy discharges from reservoirs have led to flash floods on a previously unknown scale".

That I found to be the situation on the ground. It is clearly quite different from the ones perceived or envisaged by the International Commission on Large Dams.

I remain, yours faithfully,
GRAHAM SEARLE,
The Old Post Office,
Huntingfield, Suffolk.

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Stripes and grey flannels in Seoul

From the Editor of British Style

Sir, Why is so little attention paid to the visual image of the Olympic athletes from Great Britain? The costumes deployed by South Korea in their splendid opening ceremony clearly played an enormous role in establishing their new and formidable international prestige; likewise the costumes of their athletes. At the sight of the motley ensemble worn by British competitors my heart sank. We looked like poor relations.

Undoubtedly poor *public* relations — for a clothing industry which supposedly sets the standards for the Western world. I suggest that responsibility for the design of our athletes' walking-on dress be removed from the Olympics Committee in future and diverted, perhaps, to the British Knitting and Clothing Exports Council — who will appreciate the promotional value of an event seen possibly by more people in the world than any other.

If the Games are seen as a sensible substitute for war the idea of military uniforms might also be recruited. Brilliant and imposing clothes for soldiers were invented to strike fear into the opposing team before you could say "Charge!" — a psychology which lends itself readily to the modern Olympic equivalent of hand-to-hand combat, surely? Even our boxing squad might find consolation in the cheerful Cockney aphorism: "If you can't fight, wear a big hat".

The gear of our current squad occasioned only acute embarrassment. A sloppily shapeless fishing-hat, ludicrously ornamented with a multicoloured ribbon, was teamed with the neo-formality of that sporting cliché, the blue blazer and a town day-wear shirt in red, white and blue stripings — despite the fact that these colours are shared by the national flags of France, the USA, Holland, Chile, and half-a-dozen others.

A dark blue tie, erratically smothered in crests and stripes, had no reference to any of the other garments with which it was worn, and was only substituted on the women's side by what seemed the desperate afterthought of a floppy red bow. And the cliché-mind of the coordinator of this drab, down-market ensemble could complete it only with the ultimate boredom of mid-grey skirt or trousers. Ye gods!

Yours faithfully,
JOHN TAYLOR, Editor,
British Style,
9 Denmark Street, WC2.
September 19.

Limited view

From Mr C. R. Brightwell

Sir, Having watched countless trailers on various television stations for the Olympics and had my appetite duly whetted, I am now somewhat surprised to learn that the hours available to me to watch this feast of sport are almost nil.

I can only conclude that I must "enjoy" certain characteristics which set me apart from the rest of the population. For interest, these are as follows:

1. I am in full-time employment, leaving home at 7.30 am and returning at 8 pm.
2. I do not own or rent a video.
3 I normally go to bed between 11 pm and 11.30 pm.

Yours uniquely,
COLIN BRIGHTWELL,
Bridge End, Prey Heath Road,
Mayford,
Woking, Surrey.

Harsh words

From Mrs Virginia M. Kempster

Sir, Another unlovely verb (letters, September 6, 9): I was somewhat taken aback to be asked by my dental hygienist how often I "flossed".

Yours faithfully,
VIRGINIA M. KEMPSTER,
21 Ellesmere Road,
Weybridge, Surrey.
September 12.

Figure conscious

From Mr David Lermon

Sir, It is not often that accountants are able to add to the fund of human knowledge, but in this case (letter from Dr Edward de Bono, September 19) we have been there before him.

As a result of long hours of calling over columns of figures in order to ensure the accuracy of printed accounts and reports, the accepted form is to pronounce, for example, fifty as fift-eye. Indeed this has given rise to perhaps the only accountancy joke ever invented.

Two student accountants were calling over columns of figures in this way when the window-cleaner, who had listened in silent astonishment to the pronunciation, left the room, saying to his assistant, "bring the blood-eye bucket Charl-eye".

Yours faithfully,
DAVID LERMON (Chairman,
Cardiff and District Society of Chartered Accountants),
Beech House,
Cotswold Avenue,
Lisvane,
Cardiff.
September 20.

From Mr Stewart M. Kennedy

Sir, Judging from a conversation I overheard this morning between two ladies from the East End, it would appear that the "fiftine" suggested by Dr de Bono is already in use.

Yours faithfully,
STEWART M. KENNEDY,
22 Pembroke Road,
Kensington, W8.
September 19.

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 20: The Duchess of York this afternoon named the yacht "The Maiden Great Britain" at the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Captain William McLean, *travelled in an aircraft of* The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 20: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, Order of St John, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, was present this evening at the St John Opthalmic Hospital Appeal *Dinner at Mansion House*, London EC4.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland and Mrs Euan McCorquodale were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 20: The Duke of Kent, President of the Scout Association, today received Mr W. G. Morrison on his appointment as Chief Scout.

The Duke of Gloucester, President of the British Consultants Bureau, will accompany a Mission of British consultants to *Turkey and Pakistan* between October 10 and 20.

The Hon Mrs Timothy Steel gave birth to a son in New York on September 16.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr E.H. Fitzgerald and Miss R.R. Fraser
The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place on December 17, 1988 between Edward Hamilton, younger son of the late Mr Carrol Fitzgerald and the late Mrs Cornelia Claiborne Fitzgerald, and Rebecca Rose, eldest daughter of Lady Antonia Pinter and the late the Hon Sir Hugh Fraser.

Mr C.P.G. Farrant and Miss J.J. Frazer
The engagement is announced between Colin, son of Mr Michael Farrant, of Crawley, Hampshire, and of Mrs Janet Farrant, of Forest Green, Surrey, and Jane, daughter of Major P.N.S. Frazer, of Nevis, West Indies, and the Hon Mrs Rowcliffe, of Puddington, Devon.

Mr M.S. Burns and Miss J.A. Newton
The engagement is announced between Maurice, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Burns, of Bishops Lydeard, Taunton, and Jennie, twin daughter of Sir Michael and Lady Newton, of Axminster, Devon.

Mr D.M. Apthorp and Miss F.M. Peake
The engagement is announced between Duncan, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Apthorp, of Radlett, Hertfordshire, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Peake, of Epperstone, Nottinghamshire.

Mr W.C. Clarke and Miss H.K. Prys-Jones
The engagement is announced between Bill, younger son of the late Mr and Mrs C.W. Clarke, of Oxford, and Katharine, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs T.B. Prys-Jones, of St Asaph, Clwyd.

Mr G.M. Johnston and Miss B.A.W. Hancock
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of the late Mr Gordon Gleadell Johnston and Mrs Simon Logie, of Winson, Cirencester, and Belinda (Bin), daughter of the late Mr and Mrs John L.W. Hancock.

Mr R.L. Maybury and Miss C.C. Woods
The engagement is announced between Russell, younger son of Mr L.A. Maybury, of Harborne, Birmingham, and the late Mrs K.M. Maybury, and Catherine, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerald Woods, of Matfield, Kent.

Mr S.V. Morland and Miss K.A. Cunningham
The engagement is announced between Sam, only son of Mr M. Morland, QC, and Mrs M. Morland, of Dulwich, London, and Karen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs S.N. Cunningham, of Lurgan, Northern Ireland.

Mr S.C.L. Scholes and Miss F.C. Toone
The engagement is announced between Simon, younger son of the late Mr W.P. Scholes and of Mrs R.W. Palfreyman, of Burton Overy, Leicestershire, and Fiona, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P.J.M. Toone, of Loddington, Leicestershire.

Mr R.W. Thompson and Miss C.L.A. Dickins
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Thompson, of Newsham, North Yorkshire, and Lucy, only daughter of the late Mr Michael Dickins and of Mrs Donald Robinson and stepdaughter of Mr Donald Robinson, of Dunning, Perthshire.

Mr W.H. Wilberforce and Miss J-A. Bosch
The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs John Wilberforce, of Markington Hall, North Yorkshire, and Julie-Anne, daughter of Mr Frank Bosch and Mrs Joan Eaton-Stubbings, of Warrnambool, Victoria, Australia.

Marriages

Mr A. Easton and Miss A. Curtis
The marriage took place quietly in London on Thursday, September 8, of Mr Antony Easton, only son of Mr Peter Easton and the late Mrs Easton, of London, NW1, to Miss Anna Curtis, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Curtis, of Weston Colville, Cambridge.

Brigadier J.A. Fitzpatrick and Mrs E.A. Gillson
The marriage took place quietly in Devon on Friday, September 2, between Brgadier Joseph Alexander Fitzpatrick, CBE, and Mrs Elizabeth Anne Gillson (née Fothergill).

Charles Iain R. Wolrige Gordon, yr of Esslemont and Miss A.C. Frisby
The marriage took place on *Tuesday, September 20, 1988*, at Holy Trinity, Brompton, SW7, of *Charles Iain Wolrige Gordon*, yr of Esslemont, only son of Captain and Mrs Wolrige Gordon of Esslemont, Esslemont, Ellon, Aberdeenshire, to Miss Angela Frisby, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs Simon Frisby, of Bramley Grange, Bramley, Hampshire. The Rev J.A.K. Millar officiated, assisted by the Dean of Aberdeen and Orkney.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Harry Guinness, Frederick Schiff, Katherine Guinness, Elena Macleod, Jessica Abel Smith and Miss Louisa Wolrige Gordon. The Earl of *Macduff was best man*.

A reception was held at the Hurlingham Club, and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Graham Cliffe to be joint Registrar for the districts of the Harrogate, Dewsbury and Leeds County Courts and joint District Registrar in the District Registry of the High Court at Leeds, Harrogate and Dewsbury.

Three new Deputy Lieutenants for Somerset have been appointed: **Sir Brian Bailey**, of Stonegallows, Taunton; **Mr Roland Drewett**, of Yeabridge; and **Mr Thomas Poole**, of South Petherton.

Royal Russell School, Croydon

Autumn Term began on *Wednesday, September 7*, with 640 pupils in the school. Mr Richard Hill has taken up his appointment as Bursar. William Ward and Ruth Stephens are heads of school. The seventh annual Model United Nations Conference assembles on October 21. *The Threepenny Opera* will be performed on November 17, 18 and 19, and the Old Russellian Dinner will be held on Friday, November 25.



Mrs Janet Findon putting the final touches to a display of tropical aroids in the Great Autumn Show at Westminster yesterday (*Photograph: Chris Harris*).

Horticulture

A host of gold medals

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

A diminutive silver-leaved evergreen shrub, hardly noticeable in a kaleidoscope of autumn colour, is nevertheless attracting considerable interest at the Royal Horticultural Society's great autumn show.

Known as the New Zealand edelweiss (*Leucogenes leontopodium*), this shrub is being featured by Holden Clough Nursery, of Clitheroe, Lancashire, but will not be available until next year.

As well as the interest in silver-leaved plants, there is widespread appreciation of autumn-flowering plants and bulbs. No doubt many visitors are longing to emulate the drifts of autumn gentians staged by Edrom Nurseries, of Coldingham, Berwickshire (including a white and blue bicolour, 'Angels Wings'); or colchicums shown by Jacques Amand, of Stanmore, Middlesex (including the rare double white *C. autumnale minor* 'Album Plenum').

Many gold medals have been awarded at this show. Philip Tivey, of Syston, Leicestershire, has gained a gold for a giant bank of dahlias, including a good range of cactus varieties, like the spidery light salmon 'Freelance'. Aylett Nurseries, of St Albans, Hertfordshire, also received a gold for dahlias.

Exhibitors of autumn shrubs and other plants who received gold medals are Hillier Nurseries, of Ampfield, Hampshire; Notcutts Nurseries, of Woodbridge, Suffolk; and Burncoose and Southdown Nurseries, of Redruth, Cornwall. Among their shrubs, Burncoose are also showing new coloured arums (zantedeschia) from New Zealand, tender varieties for the conservatory.

Roses are looking good, with many perfect blooms to be seen at the show. Rose exhibitors who have gained gold medals are C. and K. Jones, of Tarvin, near Chester, featuring the new English roses with fragrant, fully double "old-fashioned" blooms; and John Mattock, of Nuneham Courtenay, Oxfordshire, who has included species noted for colourful hips, like *Rosa forrestiana*.

Hopleys Plants, of Much Hadham, Hertfordshire, have been awarded a gold medal for seasonal shrubs and perennials; and County Park Nursery, of Hornchurch, Essex, have gained a gold for New Zealand plants. 10 Kai, of Radlett, Hertfordshire, have been awarded a gold for bonsai (dwarfed trees).

Three exhibitors of exotic plants have also received gold medals. Stapeley Water Gardens, of Nantwich, Cheshire, have created a pool with tropical water lilies, including the deep violet 'Director G.T. Moore', and the giant *Victoria cruziana*. Anmore Exotics, of Havant, Hampshire, are featuring mainly tropical foliage plants like the unusual *Philodendron erubescens* 'Painted Lady', with bronze leaves splashed bright pink.

The Royal Parks, London, have gained a gold medal for a vast red and yellow sea of coleus, which are among the finest foliage plants for greenhouse or conservatory.

Many vegetables are as colourful as flowers, superbly demonstrated by seedsman W. Robinson, of Forton, Lancashire, which is featuring red, yellow and orange sweet peppers and tomatoes, and French bean 'Rob Roy' with red and white variegated pods. The exhibit has been awarded a gold medal.

For dessert, Ken Muir, of Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, is offering a new blackberry with giant fruits named 'Fantasia'. Beware, though, it is too vigorous for a small garden.

The show is open today from 10 am to 7 pm, and tomorrow from 10 am to 5 pm.

Luncheons

Britain-Australia Society
The Britain-Australia Society held their annual luncheon at Australia House yesterday, by courtesy of the Australian High Commissioner. Lord Shackleton, chairman, presided.

Engineers' Company
Rear-Admiral P.G. Hammersley, Master of the Engineers' Company, presided at a Freemen's luncheon held yesterday at Glaziers' Hall. Mr Alderman and Sheriff-elect Francis Macwilliams, Middle Warden, was the principal speaker.

AIRTO
Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, was principal guest at a luncheon given by Dr Eric Duckworth, President of AIRTO (Association of Independent Research and Technology Organisations) at the Carlton Club yesterday. Other guests were:

Dr Tom Connor, Mr Hector Stewart, Mr George Adler, Mr Ron Armstrong, Mr Graham Butlin, Mr Ian Cooper, Dr Bruce Smith, Dr Douglas Taylor and Mr Michael Withers.

Dinners

America-European Community Association UK
Mr Poul Schlüter, Prime Minister of Denmark, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the America-European Community Association UK held last night at the Reform Club. Sir David Nicolson, Chairman of the America-European Community Association International, and Mr Derek Hornby, Chairman of the America-European Community Association UK, presided. Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, also spoke. Among others present were:

The Danish Ambassador and Mrs Dyvig, Mr Lars Tell Hansen, Lady Howe, Lady Nicolson, Mrs Hornby and other members of the association and their guests.

Britain-Bermuda Society
Sir Peter Gadsden, Chairman of the Britain-Bermuda Society, presided at the annual dinner held yesterday at Painters' Hall. Viscount and Viscountess Boyne, Major-General Sir Desmond and Lady Langley and Mr John G. Curtis were the principal guests.

Service dinner

Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia)
Officers of the Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia) held a dinner at Cameron Barracks, Inverness yesterday. Lieutenant-Colonel N.F. Mulliner, Commanding Officer, presided. Brigadier G.A. Hewish, Commander 30 Engineer Brigade, and Brigadier J.H. Hooper, joint Honorary Colonel, were the principal guests.

Memorial service

Captain Douglas Mortimer Lewes Neame, RN
A memorial service for Captain Douglas Mortimer Lewes Neame, RN was held yesterday at St Paul's, Knightsbridge. The Rev A.C.C. Courtauld officiated. Mr Simon Neame, son, read the lesson and Vice-Admiral Sir Lancelot Bell Davies gave an address. Among those present were:

Mrs Neame (widow), Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Anthony Berryman and Mr and Mrs Tadzik Kopanski (sons-in-law and daughters), Mrs Simon Neame (daughter-in-law), Miss Lucy Berryman, Mr Toby Berryman, Mark Berryman, Miss Sophie Kopanski, Miss Nicola Kopanski, and Emily and Penelope Neame (children), Mrs Betty Carnegy-Potts and Mrs Katherine Bartlett (sisters-in-law), Mr Charles Bartlett, Mr and Mrs Christopher Bartlett, Mr Andrew Bartlett, Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Shackelford, Miss April Reed, Miss Primrose Reed, Mr and Mrs Tim Hull Lewis, Miss Alex Hull Lewis, Mrs Shirley Drawbell, Lady (Philip) Neame, Mr and Mrs Richard Neame, Mr Stephen Neame, Miss Rachel Neame, Mr Alan Neame, Mr Geoffrey Neame, Mr and Mrs Christopher Neame, Miss Rebecca Neame.

Cordelia Lady Greenway, Daphne Lady Sutton, Lady (George) Paterson, Lady Bell Davies, Lady Paskin, Lady (Gerald) Gladstone, Lady Hughes Hallett, Mr and Mrs Gervase Nicholls, Mr and Mrs John Cordle, Mrs Ronald Macintosh, Captain John Gower, RN, Mr Richard Hare and Mr Michael Cope (representing London Athletic Club).

Gold medal



Professor Maurice Godet, founder of the Laboratoire de Mecanique at Lyon University, France, has been awarded the Institution of Mechanical Engineers' Tribology Gold Medal for 1988.

York's way

The Duchess of York carried out a stem-to-stern inspection yesterday of the "Maiden Great Britain", the women crewed challenge for next year's round-the-world sailing race.

She was fulfilling her first official engagement since the birth of Princess Beatrice and keeping a promise to the yacht's skipper, Tracy Edwards, that she would go to Hamble in Hampshire to christen the yacht with a magnum of champagne.

SCIENCE REPORT

New technique spurs genetic research

An ingenious new device for separating large molecules of the genetic material DNA is expected to have a broad application in the mapping of human chromosomes — a task which is of great importance if the basis of many genetically determined diseases is to be understood.

The device, described in the journal *Science*, has been developed by Stephen Clark, Eric Lai, Bruce Birren and Leroy Hood, of the California Institute of Technology.

The new device is based on an extension of a technique called gel electrophoresis, which for more than 40 years has been used to separate biological molecules such as proteins and fragments of DNA. The principle underlying the technique is very simple. Under the conditions in which gel electrophoresis is done, DNA molecules are highly charged electrically. This means that when a mixture of such molecules is exposed to an electric field, the molecules migrate towards the pole of opposite charge. Moreover, the molecules migrate at different speeds, depending on such properties as their net electric charge, size and shape, thus making it possible to separate them from a mixture.

The basic technique has proved an extremely powerful tool in the modern science of molecular biology — indeed, many outstanding advances would not have been possible without it. However, the conventional methods which use a constant electric current allow only the separation of relatively small fragments of DNA.

A major advance came in 1984 when a new technique was introduced called pulsed-field gel electrophoresis, which used two alternating electric fields. This allowed the resolution of DNA fragments up to 40 times larger than had previously been possible, which in turn allowed the separation of the intact chromosomes of organisms like bacteria, and brought with it the promise that further advances would allow the large-scale mapping of human genes.

But one remaining problem was that differences in the fields generated caused irregularities in the migration of DNA molecules, depending on their position. This difficulty was largely overcome in 1986 when a hexagonal array of electrodes was used to create a homogenous electric field. However, the more complex arrangement needed to improve performance created problems in regulating the various currents.

It is this problem that Clark and his colleagues have overcome. By marrying pulsed-field gel electrophoresis with computer technology they have developed a programmable system in which the voltages produced by each of 24 electrodes can be regulated independently, allowing a considerable improvement in performance.

Using their new device, the researchers have been able to separate entire chromosomes of the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* with a new degree of precision. Their method also allows much better resolution of large DNA molecules than previously possible. What is more, the separation of fungal chromosomes now takes 24 hours instead of the 130 hours needed previously.

Taken together, these advances mean that DNA molecules 200 times larger than those that could be resolved only five years ago can now be separated using gel electrophoresis. This shows just how fast technology in DNA separation is advancing.

The researchers believe that the advance they have made should give a large impetus to studies aimed at mapping human chromosomes. They also believe that their device will be easily adaptable to the separation of proteins and other molecules, and that its versatility will eventually allow the resolution of larger DNA molecules with even greater ease and accuracy.

Rory Howlett

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OBITUARY

LT-GEN SIR ALEXANDER DRUMMOND

Innovative practices in military medicine

Lieutenant-General Sir Alexander Drummond, KBE, CB, who died yesterday at the age of 87, was a former Director-General of Army Medical Services. Many of his policies and achievements in military medicine, though regarded at the time as controversial, were to become established practice.

William Alexander Duncan Drummond was born on September 16, 1901, in South Africa. His parents returned to England and later moved to Liverpool where Drummond studied engineering — and lost two fingers of his left hand while working in a shipyard.

He qualified in medicine at St Andrews University, in 1924. While there he met his future wife, Mabel, who was reading biochemistry.

After a house job at Charing Cross Hospital, he joined the Royal Army Medical Corps in 1925. He had five years in India up to 1931, and a second Indian tour followed in 1934.

Whilst serving at Rawalpindi, Drummond was to show that ingenuity and resource that often marked his subsequent career. A soldier patient was suffering from paralysis of his respiratory muscles due to a snake bite and, remembering an "iron lung" invention described in 1929, Drummond had a self-help version made by the Royal Engineers, by welding together two large oil drums, with a rubber collar to support the head and neck. Pressure for the lung was supplied by a vacuum cleaner motor, with the vent operated manually.

In September 1939 in Palestine Drummond took over the RAF Hospital at Sarafand, expanding it to 1200 beds. When Syria collapsed in 1940 and the Vichy French took over, he organized the breakout from Syria of many medical units belonging to the Poles, Czechoslovaks and Free French.

The Poles, in particular, were in a bad state after their escape through long lines of communication and he set about equipping and re-training them with equipment scrounged from many sources.

Later he served with Indian units in the Western Desert, from where he went on to the Italian Campaign, liaising with General Clark's US Army until the final push into Trieste.

While commanding the British Military Hospital at Taranto, Drummond established a firm friendship with the Yugoslavs. His involvement with them was continued later when he helped rebuild the Yugoslav medical services, for which he was decorated by Tito.

During his wartime service he was mentioned in despatches on seven occasions.

By 1949 Drummond, now a Colonel, was Officer Commanding the Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Millbank, re-opening after repairs. It was due to his efforts that this famous military hospital was restored to its highest standards.

During the Malayan Emergency he organized medical services for troops fighting in the jungle. Yet in spite of the intense military activity, Drummond found time to organize and advise on the formation of a special hospital, the Lady Templer Hospital, for Gurkhas susceptible to tuberculosis and those needing thoracic surgery.

On becoming Director-General of Medical Services in 1956, one of Drummond's priorities was medical training for all ranks of the RAMC and the Queen Alexandra Military Nursing Service. Specialist medical officers were encouraged to obtain the highest qualifications. Specialists chosen for consultant rank had to be approved by the Royal College of Surgeons before qualifying: Drummond's close liaison with the College proved invaluable.

Drummond's plan that nursing officers and staff should be given more medical responsibility was one that, at that time, would have met with opposition in civilian medical circles but is now commonplace.

Another of his tasks was the formation of a central supply centre for sterilization of all dressings and instruments supplied to army units. It was carried out against much opposition but is now also normal practice.

On his retirement from the Army, Drummond became Colonel Commandant of the RAMC from 1961 to 1966.

He now immersed himself in the work of the Order of St John and became Deputy Commissioner of the St John Ambulance Brigade. He also wrote a training text book for the Brigade.

Drummond was a keen philatelist but his proudest hobby was researching the history of medals awarded to men and women of the RAMC and its predecessors. It was through his efforts that accommodation was found to house the 28 Victoria Crosses awarded to members of the Army Medical Services, along with pictorial representations of the battle scenes where they were won.

He is survived by his wife, Mabel.

SIR FRANK YOUNG

Sir Frank Young, FRS, Professor of Biochemistry at Cambridge from 1949 to 1975, and the first Master of Darwin College from 1964 to 1976, died yesterday at the age of 80.

Young's interests were wide and his contribution to science and education could not be confined by his subject. His research was in the best traditions of biology being confined in no way to any one of its many divisions.

Born in Dulwich in 1908 he was educated at Alleyn's School and University College, London. After a decade of distinguished research as a Beit Fellow and then as a Member of the Scientific Staff of the National Institute for Medical Research he was appointed, in 1942, at the age of 34, to the Chair of Biochemistry at St Thomas' Hospital.

In 1945 he returned to University College as Professor of Biochemistry until, in 1945 he was appointed as Head of the Cambridge School. He held a Professorial Fellowship at Trinity Hall from 1949 to 1964. He was also a Fellow of University College, London.

His research interest lay always in endocrinology and in particular with those hormones with a role in the development of diabetes. His major research contribution in this field lay in the demonstration that the growth hormone of the pituitary gland was responsible for its diabetes inducing properties and that excess of this hormone could produce permanent diabetes.

He was also a pioneer in the applications of immunology to endocrine investigation.

He was elected FRS in 1949, knighted in 1972, and had many lectureships, doctorates and other honours, at home and abroad.

Although not medically qualified Young served medicine and medical research extensively and this was recognised in 1974 by Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians.

He was a Vice-President of the British Diabetic Association, first Chairman of its Medical and Scientific Section at its inception in 1960, President of the European Diabetes Association following an inaugural meeting in 1965 and President of the International Diabetes Federation, 1970-73.

He served on the Medical Research Council from 1950 to 1954, and was a member of the Royal Commission on Medical Education set up in 1965 under the Chairmanship of Lord Todd.

He was an enthusiastic supporter of the Ciba Foundation where he was Chairman of the Executive Council and a Trustee. His formal services in biochemistry included chairmanship of the editorial board of the *Biochemical Journal* and of the British National Committee of Biochemistry of the Royal Society.

As a department head, Young did much to encourage and develop postgraduate teaching and research. He was suspicious of team research with the dominant role of the leader and preferred the free co-operation of individuals. He was among the first in Cambridge to recognise the growing importance of the postgraduate student and was early active in advocating the establishment of postgraduate colleges.

He was a member of the syndicate on the interrelationships between the university and colleges established in Cambridge in 1960 under the chairmanship of Lord Bridges.

With the creation of Darwin College in 1963 the idea of postgraduate colleges in Cambridge came to fruition and it was fitting that he have been its first Master.

He married in 1933 Ruth Turner. He is survived by her and three sons. A daughter predeceased him.

DR NEVILLE BIRCH

Dr Neville Birch, JP, who died on September 18, at the age of 60, made a considerable contribution to aviation safety, particularly in the sphere of surviving fires in aircraft.

His patents, which aimed at improving passenger safety, led to important consultancies with a number of leading companies and his last book, *Passenger Protection Technology in Aircraft Fires*, was widely praised.

Having flown with RAF Transport Command at the end of the war, he was afterwards, for a while, an executive of Rolls-Royce small engines division. But he maintained his love of the air by founding the Warwickshire Aero Club.

He had held a professional pilot's licence for more than thirty years in the course of which he flew a great variety of aircraft including business jets.

In 1960 he joined with a colleague, Alan Bramson, in writing the *Flight Briefing for Pilots* series of flying training manuals which was used in many countries, and has sold 400,000 copies world-wide.

With the same author he wrote *Captains and Kings*, a book which entailed travelling to many countries interviewing kings, princes and princesses who are pilots.

At the age of 48 he took an MSc at Loughborough University. Eleven years later — following research at the College of Aeronautics, Cranfield — at an age when most people consider themselves too old for academic study, Birch was awarded his doctorate in the specialist subject of cabin survivability and fire protection in aircraft.

Birch was a Member of the Royal Aeronautical Society and a Liveryman of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators.

His many friends appreciated his unbridled enthusiasm when the cause was right and a strong sense of humour that was influenced by his days in the Royal Air Force.

Yet he could adapt his jovial personality to the needs of law and justice when he sat as a magistrate and deputy chairman of the Lichfield bench.

He is survived by his two daughters.

MR JACK HAMES, QC

Mr Jack Hames, QC, who died on September 14, at the age of 68, was a senior Chancery silk who also sat as a Recorder on the South Eastern circuit.

Jack Hamawi Hames was born in 1920 the sone of Elie and Edmee Hamawi. He was educated at the English School in Cairo and Queen's College, Cambridge, where he read history before taking the LLB. He was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1948 and joined Chancery chambers in Lincoln's Inn.

Hames made a name for himself as a vigorous courtroom tactician and as a tenacious advocate with an original turn of mind. These qualities together with his unswerving commitment to his clients' causes won him a busy litigation practice both as a junior and as a leader.

He was also frequently briefed by the Law Society in legal aid matters. His standing was recognised when he was appointed a silk in 1972, and when he was elected a Bencher of his Inn in 1979.

In later years he sat with increasing frequency as a Recorder.

As a judge he proved to be painstaking and courteous and his anxiety to do justice was evident. In addition to committee work on the Bench of the Inner Temple — he did much to promote interest in the Inn's archives — he also found time to make some lively contributions to the public debate on the future of the Bar.

He married Beryl Julia Cooper in 1949. They had two sons both of whom are solicitors.

LP writes:
Jack Hames was — and almost certainly he intended to be — a character. For him the law was an armoury of weapons for use in the legal battles which he fussed over and relished. When necessary, he could draw on deep resources of legal learning and scholarship.

So it was that in Warner v Sampson, a landlord and tenant case in 1958, his perception of a curious point of legal procedure and history, researched with academic help which he recruited in Cambridge, produced for the Court of Appeal an argument which prevailed in spite of the formidable forensic skills of his opponent (Lord Scarman, then still L. G. Scarman, QC). Jack Hames will be remembered by many with admiration and affection.

SAM WOODYARD

Sam Woodyard, for a decade in the Fifties and Sixties Duke Ellington's drummer, has died in Paris at the age of 63.

Ellington rated Woodyard — who played with him for most of the ten years from 1955 — as the best drummer he had had in his band since Louis Bellson. Indeed he featured him in many of Bellson's old specialities.

This sometimes infuriated Bellson fans, not all of whom agreed with the Duke's assessment of his latest find. One critic went so far as to complain that Woodyard "handled every number as if he were breaking rocks".

Born in Elizabeth, New Jersey in 1925, Woodyard did not come from a musical family, and had no training. He learned drums sitting in locally, in Newark and at other New Jersey venues.

Before joining Ellington he played with Joe Holiday, Roy Eldridge and Milt Buckner.

After leaving the Duke he was ill, and dropped out of sight for a while.

But he returned to action in the 1970s, and played occasionally with the Bill Berry band, as well as with Buddy Rich.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

happy is the man that findeth wisdom. and the man that getteth understanding.
proverbs 3:13

BIRTHS

BARTON - On September 10th, to Molly (nee Arsdell) and Trevor, a daughter, Flora Catrina.

BRENNAN - On September 16th at the Royal Cornwall Hospital to Bridget (née Daly) and John a son Hugh Joseph William, a brother for Henry.

CONN - On September 8th 1988, to Mike and Julie (nee Fox), a daughter Olivia Alice, a sister for Thomas.

DENCHY - On Saturday September 17th to Bolla and Simon, a daughter.

GOULD - On September 19th, to Tina and Nicholas, a daughter, Nathalie Georgina, a sister for Christopher

HARE - On September 16th 1988, at St. Thomas' Hospital London, to Lynda (nee Henderson) and Paul, a son Matthew Philip Webster, a brother for Antonia, Victoria and Andrew.

JANNEY - On September 18th 1988 to Jane (née Allen) and Michael, a son Benjamin Daniel Luke.

MADDEN - On September 15th, 1988 at the General Infirmary Leeds, to Su-Anna (née Boddy) and Nicholas, a daughter, Katherine Anna, a sister for Christopher

McCOSH - On September 17th, at The Eastern General, Edinburgh, to Susan (née Hesketh) and Andrew, a son Charles Andrew Knox.

McGRANE - On September 11th to Margaret (née Abrey) and Kevin, a covenant child Agnes Elizabeth Deborah.

MICKLEM - On September 12th, at Tiverton & District Hospital, to Suzy (née Rothwell) and Jack, a daughter, Cressida Eve Mary.

MOFFATT - On September 10th, to Steve and Rosey, a son Julius Alexander Chard, a brother for Kari.

PALMER - On September 17th, 1988, to Helen and Axel, a son Axel Alastair William, a brother for Morag.

PRICE - On September 13th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Nicola (née Griffin) and Richard, a son Nicholas William, a brother for Roseanna.

SPARROW - On September 18th at The North Staffordshire Maternity Hospital to Sarah (née Friend) and Randle, a daughter Alice Elisabeth, a sister for Emma.

STOCDALE - On September 10th, 1988 at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Julia (née Carforth) and David, a son, Oliver William David.

STURGE - On September 18th, at Hopital de Grasse, France, to Laura (née Delmar Morgan) and Nicholas, a son, Toby Alexander.

YOUNG - On September 8th, to Sarah and Andrew, a daughter, Rosemary Elizabeth, a sister for Emily.

MARRIAGES

WRIGHT:McCARTHY - On September 17th, at All Saints Church, Sparkwell, Devon. Allan Stuart to Mary Elizabeth.

DEATHS

ARKELL - On Monday September 19th 1988. Olive Arscott, Lady Arkell, widow of Sir Noel Arkell of Highworth, Wiltshire. Dearly loved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral Tuesday September 27th, service and cremation at Kingsdown, Swindon, at 3pm.

BRIGHT - On September 19th, in his 86th year. Brigadier Christopher Sibthorpe Bright C.B.E. R.E., much loved husband of Janie and dear father of John, Timothy and Elisabeth. Private cremation, flowers to Tomalin and Son, 48 New Street, Henley-on-Thames, by 11am Monday September 26th. Details of Memorial service to be announced later.

FERGUSON DAVIE - On September 16th, suddenly, Jamie aged 18, loved son of Michael and Jean. Private funeral. Service of Thanks Giving at Radley College Chapel on October 15th at noon. No flowers, donations if desired to Sister Scott at H.D.U. Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, in his memory.

FENTON - On September 14th in hospital after a long illness, Roy Eric, husband of Margaret (Osborn). Cremation and flowers family only. No letters please.

FISHER - On September 19th 1988, *peacefully after a long illness in the* Horton General Hospital, Banbury, Colonel Garvey Joshua Graham Fisher T.D. Legion of Merit (late of The Border Regiment), of Deddington, Oxford, formerly of Bayswater London. Beloved husband of Joan and father of Mark and Julia. Funeral service will take place at 1pm on Friday September 23rd at Deddington Parish Church, followed by cremation at Oxford Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research, c/o Trinder Funeral Service, 122 Middleton Rd, Banbury, Oxon OX16 8QU.

GOLDING - On September 16th, 1988, peacefully after a long illness, John of 5 Radnor House, Victoria Road, Penarth, South Glamorgan, beloved husband of Myfanwy, a dearly loved father of Joanna and James, and dear father in-law to Lorraine Funeral. Friday September 23rd Service at All Saints Church, Victoria Square, Penarth, 1.30pm, followed by private cremation at Thornhill. Family flowers only to R.M. & G.M. Edwards, Pontyclun (0443) 224358.

GOODMAN - On September 16th, in Wimbledon, Ida, widow of Hugh, mother of William and Richard. Funeral service will be held at St Mary's Wimbledon on Thursday September 22nd at 2.45 pm. No flowers please, but donations if desired to N.S.P.C.C.

HOOPER - On September 19th, suddenly, following a stroke in the Valley at Gentle Jane, John Bartlett retired Colonial Service in Gahana and Tanzania, beloved husband of Sheila and much loved father of Elise and Catherine and the late Adrian. Funeral, Saint Minver Church at 2:45pm Friday September 23rd followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, donations if desired to C.M.S., 157 Waterloo Road, London.

HORTON - On September 19th, peace*fully in hospital, Adrian much loved* husband of Margaret, father of Gay, Jane and David and grandfather of Karen, Joanne, Alexander and Ghilie. Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Hampton Court Way, Thames Ditton on Monday September 26th at 1pm followed by interment at Long Ditton Cemetary. Family flowers only, donations to Great Ormond Street Wishing Well Appeal. Enquiries to F.W. Paine: 01-399 2060

HOUGHTON - On September 19th, 1988, peacefully at home, Denis Arthur Sydenham Houghton, dearly loved husband, father, grandfather and brother. Funeral service and interment at the Parish Church of St John Baptist, Broughton on Friday, September 23rd, 1988 at 2 pm. Family flowers only please but donations if desired to the above Church C/O of the Vicar. Arrangements Messrs. H Whalley & Sons, 94 Ripon Street, Preston, Lancs. Tel (0772) 54936.

LOWE - On September 19th, after a short illness faced with courage and dignity, peacefully in his sleep, Stephen beloved husband and father of Frank, Roger and Patricia and grandfather of Emma and Bootle. Service on September 23rd at 10am, St Mark's Church, Tattenham Corner, Epsom Downs, Surrey - where else?, followed by cremation at Randalls Park Crematorium. Enquiries to W. Truelove & Sons, Funeral Directors, Sutton, Surrey.

McFALL - On September 18th, tranquilly at Charing Cross Hospital, after a long illness borne with exceptional courage and bravery, David Bernard R.A. Darling husband of Alexi and wonderful father of Laura and Leo. Royal Academician sculptor. Private cremation. Flowers before 9 am Monday September 26thto, Kenyon Limited, 49 Marloes Road, London W8 or donations to Charing Cross Hospital, Memorial Service at St. James' Church, Piccadilly, date to be announced.

MASSEY - On September 17th, suddenly aboard his yatch, James (Jim), aged 67 years, darling husband of Elizabeth (Liza), much loved father of William and Louise and grandfather of Rory. Cremation private, a Thanks Giving service will take place at Saint Marys' Church, South Baddesley near Lymington on Tuesday September 27th at 12 noon. Donations may be sent to the R.N.L.I., c/o Diamond and Sons FD, 9-11 Lowerbuckland Rd, Lymington.

QUESTED - On September 18th, 1988, at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, Margaret (Meg). Funeral service and burial at St Peters Church, Upper Wolvercote, Oxford, at noon, Thursday September 22nd. Enquiries to Pimms of Eynsham. Tel: Oxford 881388.

PEARSON - On September 18th 1988 in California U.S.A. Lionel Pearson aged 80. Professer Emeritus of Classics at Stanford University. Much loved and admired by all the family and his many friends

PICKARD On September 20th, at home after an illness courageously borne James beloved husband of Val and father to Stephen, Caren, Chad and Brendan. Funeral Service at St. John's Convent, Kiln Green, near Twyford, Berks on Friday September 23rd at 12.00pm. No flowers by request but donations if desired to the Donkey Sanctuary, Sidmouth, Devon.

RUBIN - On September 17th 1988, suddenly, in hospital, at Ealing, Lewis, of Cruisehurst, Kent. The funeral will take place at the Chislehurst Cemetary Beaverwood Road, Chislehurst, on Thursday September 22nd at 3pm Enquiries to Francis Chappell and Son, tel: 01-300 4651.

SALES - On September 18th, 1988, peacefully in Hove, Horatio Edward, husband of Isobel. Funeral private.

SAYWELL - On September 17th suddenly Jeremy Revis, dear brother of Philip and much loved uncle of Nick, Sarah and Alex. Funeral Eucharist at St. Michael & All Angels, Bedford Park, Chiswick on Wednesday September 28th at 1pm. Family flowers only. Donations to Spinal Injuries Association, Yeomans' House, St. James' Lane, London N10.

SCRIMSHAW-WRIGHT. - On September 17th 1988. Pat, beloved and loving daughter, of Aan and the late Bill Hoogkins. Funeral service at Aldershot Crematorium, tomorrow Thursday September 22nd at 3pm. Flowers or donations to. H. C. Patrick & Co. 86 East Street, Farnham Surrey. Tel:(0252) 714884.

SIMPSON On September 18th, peacefully in hospital, H.G. Simpson C.B.E. Cremation at 16.00hrs on Thursday September 22nd at Guildford Crematorium. Family flowers only Donations if desired to the C.H.S.A.

THEOKRITOFF - On September 13th, Louise, peacefully. Funeral service on Saturday September 24th, 11am, at the Russian Orthodox Cathedral, 67 Ennismore Gardens, SW7.

TRUSCOTT - On September 18th 1988, peacefully Harold Lynn, much loved husband of Mollie and father of Michael, Judy, Sally and William and loving grandfather. Funeral service on Friday September 23rd, 12.15 at St. Stephen in Brannel parish church, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to St Stephens Parish Church, Cornwall.

TWAMLEY - On September 13th 1988 at the BUPA hospital, Harpenden, Beatrice Emma, daughter of Herbert and Mildred Twamley (nee Butt) of Allan Bank, and Glenthorne Grasmere and of Bedford; sister of Dr. Broughton Twamley; Aunt of Delia: Godmother of many. Service St. Francis Wellyn Garden City at 10.30 on Friday September 23rd, followed by cremation at Garston. No flowers, but donations to Sudan Disaster Appeal.

YOUNG - On September 20th 1988, Sir Frank George, loved husband of Ruth, dear father of Peter, Thomas, Simon and the late Judith, and a dear grandfather. Funeral private. Memorial service will be announced later.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

YOUNG - A memorial service for Brigadier Peter Young, D.S.O., M.C., M.A., F.S.A., will be held at St Mary's Church, Ripple, nr Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire on Tuesday 4th October, at 12 noon.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

FRASER - Eleanor. On this, the centenary of her birth, remembered with affection by her daughter Veronica.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACON nee BUSH. BEATRICE JENNY BACON otherwise BEATRICE JANET BACON nee BUSH, WIDOW late of Hordle Grange Nursing Home, Vagas Lane, Hordle, Lymington, Hampshire, died at Hordle, on 26th April 1988.
(Estate about £52,500)

BATE nee HOLMES, DOROTHY MAY BATE nee HOLMES, WIDOW late of 36A Dudhill Road, Rowley Regis, West Midlands, died at Dudley, West Midlands, on 9th September 1987.
(Estate about £11,400)

CUSACK otherwise ANTONY JOAN MARY CUSACK otherwise JOAN MARY ANTONY, SPINSTER late of 4 Raben Court, Royston Road, Baldock, Herts, died there, on 16th September 1987
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Beguiling raconteur: Richard Burton's bewitched life within a storytelling Camelot

Celia Brayfield finds nobility in Tony Palmer's profile of Richard Burton

One man's myth

TELEVISION

Towards the conclusion of Tony Palmer's portrait of Richard Burton, *In From The Cold* (ITV), the actor declaimed the present tense of the verb to be, investing those common words with infinite meaning in the spell-binding terms which he had acquired early on his route to glory. It was a moment which crystallized the theme of this two-and-a-half-hour biography, an actor's trick full of profound truth, a symbolic statement of the man's outward vitality and inner void.

This was not a film about Burton as an actor, and still less about him as a man. It was an extremely skilful and complex meditation on the myth of Richard Burton which included the actor, the man and many other dimensions of his personality. By weaving a continuous skein of insights from personal memories, film clips and archive material, the director illuminated many facets of the individual. It was a technique which showed respect for both the subject, who was allowed to retain the dignity of his personal mystery, and for the audience, who were at liberty to develop their own opinions.

Melvyn Bragg, whose own authorized biography, *Rich: The Life of Richard Burton*, is published next week, described him as a great Welsh hero who could have chosen from several fields of endeavour. This point was made in the midst of a montage of Burton in breastplate or battledress, roaring Hollywood clichés with passionate conviction, as he led armies of extras through fire and flood in indifferent movies. At once the kind of hero which Burton had become was clear.

Later, the director, Mike Nichols said: "Like a lot of actors, Richard began to confuse seeming with being, and once he took the leap into movie magazine immortality with Elizabeth Taylor he left behind any core of being, and was entirely surrounded by seeming. And that left him very lonely." This was a noble film, devoid of pop psychology, the story told with disdain for the sensational potential.

Some of the most astute judgements were delivered by Kate Burton, Richard's actress daughter, who remembered that her father very seldom took part in revealing conversation but instead told stories. The whole programme seemed to be a prisoner of Burton's charm, a very agreeable enchantment. Delightful anecdotes abounded, most of them valuable developments of the film's argument. There was the Hollywood producer who, on learning that Burton was under contract at the Old Vic, demanded: "Who is Old Vic? What's he paying, and I'll pay him double." Little more needed to be added to the idea of Burton's Hollywood career as a Faustian bargain, in which he traded his potential as a great classical actor for fame and money.

There was the suspicion that Burton had bewitched himself by the endless, beguiling retelling of the facts of his life. Both as an actor and as a raconteur he had the ability to create a parallel reality and the film suggested that it was in this mental Camelot, as much as in the pain of life's traumas, that his soul had been destabilized.

The original material in this programme was photographed magnificently and used with restraint. The editing was masterly, a textbook demonstration of how to create a compelling narrative from source material which varied from dull to sublime. With such skills in play, the omission of an original interview with Elizabeth Taylor could hardly be detected; instead, a selection of exchanges from *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf, The Taming of the Shrew* and their joint press conferences suggested the outward and visible significance of their relationship.

Early in his career, Tony Palmer was one of a group of directors who created a new form of dramatic biography. With this film he has recreated the genre, exploring the extraordinary potential for complexity of a medium which is commonly dismissed as essentially simplistic.

The premiere, in Germany, of a perhaps too long delayed piece by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies and some resolute work in Northern Ireland

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OPERA

Resurrection
Staatsoper, Darmstadt

Sir Peter Maxwell Davies's sixth opera is charming, in many ways alarming: in many ways, too, deeply embarrassing. It stands a great deal of pressure not to be a conspicuous success, principally because if it were to be strong and unified it would negate its own central thesis, since once again, though now more blatantly than ever before, Sir Peter is pursuing his wonderfully romantic notion that all would be well if people were not brutally deformed and corrupted by their upbringing. If this is so, if the action of society is thoroughly to pervert some glorious pre-existent soul in each individual, then no individual could be expected to produce a work of art not riven by hysteria and unfulfilled promise. *Resurrection* has to be a parody of the piece it might have been in a better world.

Going directly to the supposed source of the supposed problem, the opera is a parable of alienated youth. The Hero, represented throughout by a dummy, sits at the breakfast table in the prologue and is subjected to criticism and advice from his parents, siblings, teacher, vicar and doctor, at the end of which his head explodes. Then in the main act, which follows without a break, a medical team investigates his brain, his heart and his genitals, triggering his political, religious and sexual fantasies, which are played out in grotesque sketches. The politicians are mountebank gods, windbags all, dominated by Hera (I wonder why); a hellfire preacher leads the way to Antichrist; a bishop, a policeman and a trade union leader are all crammed with a young man in a Gents' cubicle (which would surely then leave little room for anything very interesting). Finally, when all these nasty ideas have been eliminated, everybody celebrates the resurrection of the perfect lobotomized, passionless, neutered man, and the dummy is then supposed to inflate to towering size, with a penis to match: this is just one aspect which has been notably toned down in Peter Brenner's production.

The staging could also be more helpful in creating a difference between the primary action and the 24 interpolated television commercials, based on Dürer's engravings for the Book of Revelations (hence a bacon ad for the vision of the Lamb, and so on, wearyingly). As it is, the whole piece is given in a plastic rainbow-bright set fit for a game show, and the commercial breaks can hardly be more shockingly banal than everything else we see. But one cannot be too hard on the production for this. Sir Peter's weak parodies suggest that he last watched television in about 1959, and it is just as well that his touching faith in the mindless menace of mass advertising should be glided over a little.

What cannot be avoided, however, is the musical disruption caused by the pastiche messages from our sponsor in the sky. Since a jingle has to intrude every three minutes or so, there is no possibility of the gathering intensity of the best scenes of *Taverner, St Magnus* and *The Lighthouse*, especially when so many of the fantasy scenes are also pastiches (all the old Aunt Sallies are back: the foxtrot, the Salvation Army hymn, the tapdance number, the crematorium organ) and when the prologue is further fractured by the introduction of seven pop songs to which the family cat dances as, rather curiously, it undergoes a process of pseudo-alchemical transformation to become the demon of social control.

However, the problems of the piece are more fundamental, and they are perhaps imposed less by society than by the myth of asocial liberation to which Sir Peter lets his opera subscribe: its shrill anxiety is laughter in the dark, evincing a craving for lost authority more than an anti-establishment revolt. The pantomime-dame Mam, the smug clerics (four benighted churchmen are rather too many for one little opera to support), the sexual deviants and the Olympian politicians are all caricatures, thin as air, providing no grip for the anger that fuelled Sir Peter's earlier theatrical works.

BARBARA AUMÜLLER



Dead heroic: Sir Croesus Wright (Thomas Jesatko) gives a satirical patter song over the body of the Hero

Having conceived the piece in 1963, he has possibly waited too long to realize it. We heard all the parodies in his works of 20 years ago; the structure of prologue/evidence followed by action/nightmare occurred in *The Lighthouse*; the inversion of values, presided over by mythic Death figures, is in *Taverner*; and *Antichrist*, God bless her, must be getting tired of being represented in so many of this composer's entertainments.

The piece comes 25 years too late in Sir Peter's creative evolution, and perhaps 40 years too late in his personal development, since such a vision of the world as peopled by bogeymen and loons, all set against the I of the observer, belongs to adolescence: there is a terrible irony in the fact that the most forceful number should be the concluding pop song.

It is perhaps as well that the action should be decently shrouded in German (Covent Garden long ago abandoned interest in the project). The musical performance, by the local orchestra, singers, dancers and pop group under Hans Drewanz, is honourable. Six more performances are scheduled over the next seven weeks.

Paul Griffiths

The Seraglio/La Bohème
Grand Opera House, Belfast

Well produced by any standard

Opera Northern Ireland is very much a symbol of its city's own irrepressible and phoenix-like nature. When the applause rings out — and ring it does — the cheering is as much for the tenacity of a company which has survived fire, rehabilitation, re-administration and financial near-disaster as it is for the production in hand.

This year, though, Seamus McGrenera's new staging of *The Seraglio* deserved every bravo in the house. It marks the start of a proposed Mozart cycle under the musical direction of Kenneth Montgomery (*Don Giovanni* next year) and, as such, it augurs well for the future. What is more, staged within the later oriental fantasy of Frank Matcham's exquisite Victorian opera house, and proclaiming its message of forgiveness looking injustice resolutely in the face, it was just the place to start.

The first night was not without its bumps and jolts; various levels of hanging curtains and *kelims* which formed Tim Reed's economic and effective set were not always obedient; John Blakey's Pasha was off-puttingly plebeian.

But McGrenera paces his performers with a sure ear to Mozart's own dramatic structure, guiding them simply, slowly and confidently to its cumulative climax. And these are achieved masterfully. At "Martern aller Arten", for instance, the lower part of the three-tiered scarlet dais, on which the Pasha is throned, splits apart to reveal a dark subterranean void. As Konstanze, anticipating her fate, is silhouetted against it, the Pasha suffers his own very real torments as he listens from above, barely comforted, like Solomon with David, by a quartet of 18th-century court musicians miming the aria's obbligato parts.

The aria brings out the best, too, in Faith Elliott, a deeply grave Konstanze, drawing out shades of the Countess in her music; she will surely be working soon towards that role. Jan Juline Leeds, as Blonde, sings like a lark and sounds as English as her surname, though she is one of Kenneth Montgomery's discoveries from the US. Montgomery himself encourages the Ulster Orchestra to play with such astuteness and sensitivity that they almost make up for the lack of those qualities in the Belmonte of Paul Nilon, not, alas, on top form at the moment. Stephen Richardson's secure Osmin and Alasdair Elliott's vivacious Pedrillo also redress the balance.

Tim Reed and Paul Pyant are also responsible for designing *La Bohème*, and Montgomery for conducting it. Their joint achievement is comparably rewarding: a striking wide diagonal of an attic, a Monus tingling with detail, a baton alert to the fine bone structure and highly strung nerves of Puccini's score.

From the contrivance of the lost key episode — Rodolfo's "gelida manina" unashamedly played to the footlights — to the final death-bed recollection, the cast respond with appropriate élan. It means, alas, not a little lack of subtlety: Michael Fiacco's Rodolfo and Sylvie Valayre's Mimi have all the notes, but little else besides. The company were obviously not without problems in casting this piece. Despite neat cameos from Mark Pedrotti (Marcello) and Bruno Caproni (Schaunard) it took the brazen theatricality of Rosemary Ashe as Musetta to focus a superficially entertaining but weakly-motivated production. Both operas run for the rest of the week.

Hilary Finch

CONCERTS

Singular readings

ASMF/Marriner/Perahia
Festival Hall

The first major project of the South Bank's giant "Beethoven Plus" series is a Beethoven piano concerto cycle played by Murray Perahia, whose interpretation of this cornerstone repertoire grows ever more fascinating. His readings derive their unique quality from the tension between the sanguine clarity of his conceptions, and the pent-up energy that frequently marks his passagework.

That quality acquires almost a historical relevance in the First Concerto, since it parallels Beethoven's own creative process: stretching, but not quite snapping, the Mozartian concerto model. Perahia maintains classical proportions, except at certain crucial points. In the development's chromatic passages, for instance, he suddenly plunges us into a world of veiled timbres and uncertainty. Then in the huge cadenza he worked up an extraordinary sense of agitation which conveyed neuroses far beyond the implications of the bare notes.

We heard more of this tense, whippy style in the finale, which was mono-paced (but what a pace!) until just before the end, when Perahia again relaxed and produced the most unexpectedly beguiling, bell-like timbres. It seemed like a glimpse of another musical world.

The Third Concerto was voraciously accented by the pianist in the opening movement, and wittily propelled through the finale, which culminated in a Presto of scintillating brilliance. It was the Largo, however, that revealed the full extent of Perahia's craft: magically calm at the start, it opened out into a ravishing display of varied tonal colour.

The Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields, under Sir Neville Marriner, accompanied alertly without ever threatening to match Perahia in imaginative power. But the orchestra did supply something interesting for the "plus" bit of this "Beethoven Plus" evening: Cherubini's overture for *Anacréon*. Cherubini tends to say every phrase at least twice, as if repetition will somehow add lustre to plain invention, but his handling of the orchestra is adroit and surprisingly full for his day.

Richard Morrison

A little of what you fancy?

Carl-Axel Dominique
Wigmore Hall

Does one have to be a fanatical birdwatcher to appreciate Messiaen's *Catalogue d'oiseaux*? Certainly it would seem to be a minority interest, judging by the thin audience that turned out for the first of the three piano recitals at the Wigmore Hall celebrating the 80th birthday of the *Grand Maître*. The recitalist is the Swedish pianist Carl-Axel Dominique, who has worked on the entire *oeuvre* of birdsong pieces; his first recital, on Monday night, consisted of six numbers from the *Catalogue d'oiseaux*, the major work in this category.

"The birds are probably the greatest musicians to inhabit our planet", claims Messiaen, and it is that enthusiasm — and the specialized knowledge of ornithological vocalization that has resulted from it — that sustains these remarkable nature studies. In each piece the composer attempts not only to characterize the bird in question, but also to set it in its natural habitat by painting the landscape and relating the particular song to that of other birds found in the region. I would have to take it on trust that the song of the golden oriole or the sedge warbler has been faithfully recreated by both composer and interpreter, though I appreciated the cries of the curlew, now mournful, now savage, piercing the dark, foggy night.

Dominique negotiates the abnormal technical demands of these pieces with aplomb and shows every sign of having taken them to his heart. I did sometimes wonder, however, whether he was sufficiently liberated from the score: the sense of exuberance, of fantasy, of pure improvization, was often lacking.

Occasionally too, one expected more bite, more penetration in the treble-register trilling. But ample amends were made in "La rousserolle effarvatte", the half hour piece that charts the reed warbler's full-throated vocal progress through 27 hours, from midnight to 3am the following day. The final ecstatic cadenza, though frequently marked *piano* or *mezzo-forte*, was played *fortissimo* throughout by Dominique. If I had a bird making that racket outside my houseboat at three in the morning, I'd shoot it.

Barry Millington

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THEATRE

When She Danced
King's Head

The point to note in Martin Sherman's title is its use of the past tense. His heroine, Isadora Duncan, is on stage throughout, surrounded by a little Parisian court of those who once saw her dance. But she is not dancing now. In the person of Sheila Gish, she goes through the evening as a thickening middle-aged beauty, guzzling champagne, coping with impending bankruptcy and her wild poet husband Yesenin (Owen Teale), angling for an engagement in Vienna and a school in Italy, but never giving the smallest demonstration of the gift that brought her into public idolatry. When other characters try to describe her performance, all they can say is that she walked across the stage and made them feel at one with her. In the last lines, her young Greek namesake recalls asking his mother for her memories of Duncan; only to get the reply, "I can't explain".

The question Sherman seems to be asking, under cover of all the moth-eaten Bohemian knock-about, is what survives of a transient art. Yesenin survives because his currency was language. "Highly over-rated, language," Isadora exclaims. "We never had it in America." But, in the play's best scene, she experiences a cruel awakening when, to impress a potential patron, a girl dancer is brought on to display a ghastly parody of the Duncan method. Duncan stops her in horror: "I wanted to make you free — not to make you Isadora."

That carries the ring of truth, and you respect the speaker. Elsewhere it is hard to know whether Sherman respects her or not. By turns, Isadora can appear as a besotted ageing wife, a gushing art-fancier, even as a farcical American in Paris. There were no doubt many sides to her nature; but this play is following an old philistine habit in making such fun of her; and it sabotages the plot by leaving the audience to decide whether she could have made a successful comeback and whether the school would have been a liberationist paradise or an amateurish joke.

Sheila Gish does not improve matters by playing her along the lines of a globe-trotting Blanche du Bois, favouring her loved ones with a gaze of suffocating intensity. There is, however, a resilient character within: revealed when the supposed patron turns out to be a filing clerk, and she leads the party in pelting him out of the room; and, most movingly, when she learns that one of her beloved husband's poems is a satire on her drowned children.

She makes this discovery thanks to a mousey little translator, played by Angela Pleasence in a crumpled suit and ankle boots, as a self-effacing nonentity among all the flamboyant egos, who becomes the most riveting character on stage (the same effect which Pleasence once achieved in *Petra von Kant*.) Tim Luscombe's production is remarkable for pulling dialogue in five languages (not counting English) into theatrical coherence.

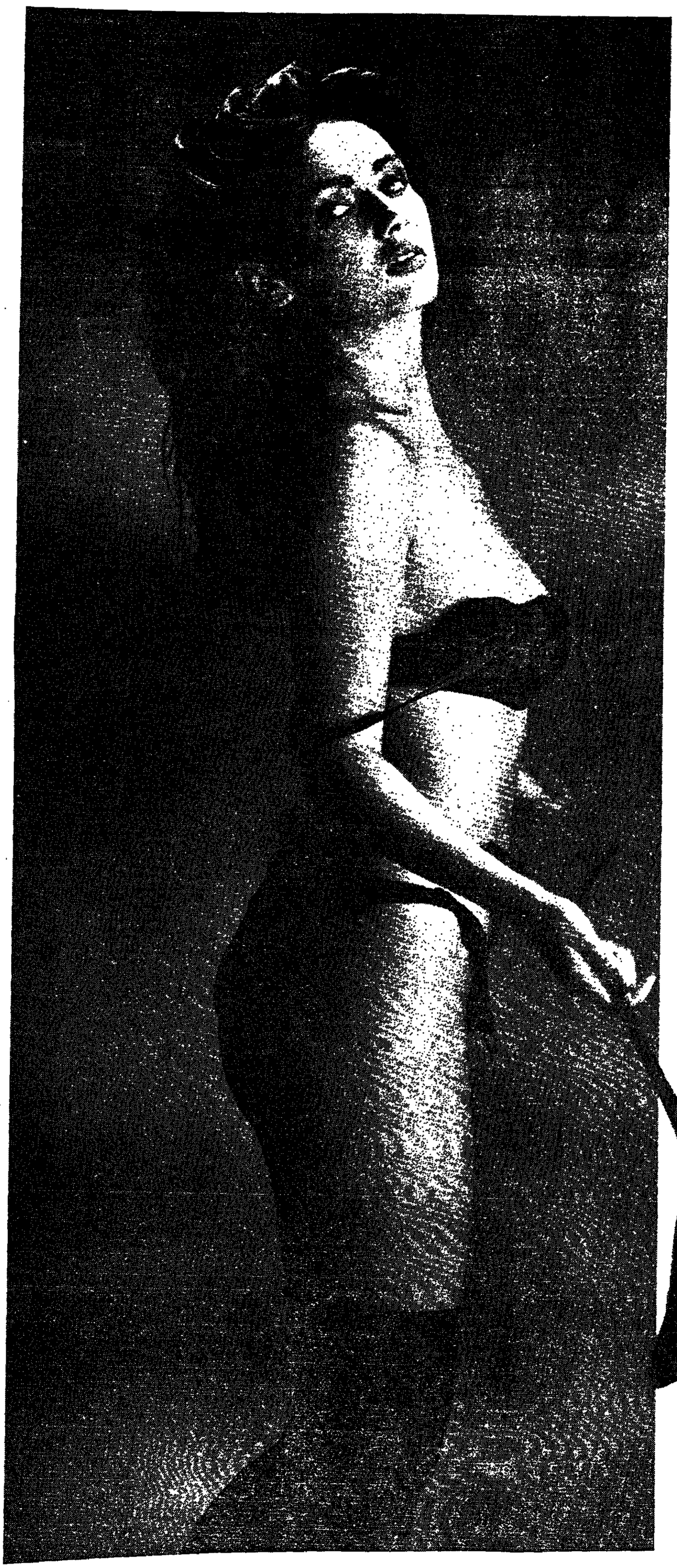
Irving Wardle

DONALD COOPER



Husband and wife: Isadora Duncan (Sheila Gish) embraces her "wild poet" Sergei Yesenin (Owen Teale)

ITALIAN HOUSEWIVES DO IT ON TV.



In case the picture hasn't made it absolutely clear, the signora is doing a striptease.

She's not doing it very artistically, but art is the last thing that viewers want from the Rome TV channel on which she appears.

Channels like this came into being in 1981/2 when Italian TV was effectively de-regulated.

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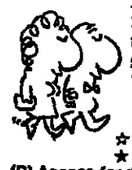
With what results? A good question.

One which the-powers-that-be should ask themselves as they study the doubtful charms of the lady on the left.

TVS ENTERTAINMENT

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THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **DRIVING MISS DAISY:** Wendy Hiller, *Barry Foster, Clarke Peters in this* year's Pulitzer prizewinner: the relationship between an elderly Jewess and her black chauffeur. Fragile material but fine acting.
Apollo Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-9.30pm, mats Sat 5-6.30pm, £5-£14.

☆ **LETTICE AND LOVAGE:** Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging eccentric war against the modern world *in Peter Shaffer's new comedy.*
Globe Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3667). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat, 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-6.30pm, £7.50-£15. (D)

☆ **THE SECRET OF SHERLOCK HOMES:** Jeremy Brett and Edward Hardwicke in an adaptation from Conan Doyle by Jeremy Paul, directed by Patrick Garland.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-867 1116). Tube: Leicester Square. *Preview tonight 8pm. Opens Thurs,* 7pm. Then: Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat 5.30pm and 8.30pm, mat Wed, 3pm, £5.50-£13.90.

☆ **THE SNEEZE:** Michael Frayn has collected together and adapted four short stories and four one-act plays by *Chekhov to make an entertainment* starring Rowan Atkinson, Timothy West and Cheryl Campbell, directed by Ronald Eyre.
Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 *6404/0641). Tube:* Holborn/Temple/ Charing Cross/Covent Garden. Previews from tonight. Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 5pm and 8.30pm: mat Wed (from Oct 5), 3pm. £5-£15. Opens Sep 27, *7pm.*

☆ **TEECHERS:** John Godber's end-of-term play within a play; funny with sad bits.
Arts Theatre, *Great Newport Street* WC2 (01-836 3334). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 9-11pm. Early performances on Fri and Sat 6.30-8.30pm, £6.50-£11.50.

☆ **UNCLE VANYA:** Michael Gambon, Jonathan Pryce and Imelda Staunton splendid in Michael Blakemore's Chekhov revival.
Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon to Fri 7.45pm, Sat 8.30pm. Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5pm, £7.50-£15.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **And Then There Were None:** Strand Theatre (01-836 2660)... ☆ ***Beyond Reasonable Doubt:*** Queen's Theatre (01-734 1166)... ☆ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079)... ☆ **Follies:** Shaftesbury Theatre (01-379 5399)... ☆ ***42nd Street:*** *Drury Lane Theatre* (01-836 8108/9)... ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111)... ☆ ***Me and My Girl:*** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4)... ☆ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909)... ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 *1443)...* ★ ***The Phantom of The Opera:*** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244)... ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216)... ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

BROMLEY: ☆ ***Blithe Spirit:*** Rula Lenska, Deborah Grant, Guy Siner, Anna Wing, Jenny Tomasin, Gerald Flood and Janet Allen, directed by John David in the Noël Coward comedy about a revenant wife.
Churchill, High Street (01-460 6677). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Sep 29, Oct 1, 6, 8, 2.30pm. £5-£8.

WINDSOR: ☆ **The Winslow Boy:** Lee Montague, Hugh Manning, Helen Ryan *and Prunella Gee in the ever-popular* Terence Rattigan drama, directed by Joan Riley.
Theatre Royal, Thames Street (0753 853888). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Sept 29, *Oct 6, 2.30pm. £2.50-£14. Until Oct 8.*

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
※ **Advance booking possible**

BILOXI BLUES (PG): Reminiscences of an *camp* with Matthew Broderick and Christopher Walken as new recruits (107 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 2.20, 5.40, 8.15.
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). *Progs* 2.15, 6.15, 9.15.
Empire Leicester Square (01-200 0200). Progs 2.15, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30.

BUSTER (15): Singer Phil Collins makes his cinema debut in a film surveying the life and loves of Buster Edwards of Great Train Robbery fame (102 min).
Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 12.40, 3.15, 6.00, 8.40.

■ **CRY FREEDOM (PG):** Richard Attenborough's bumper bundle of exciting spectacle and liberal sentiments; with Kevin Kline as journalist Donald Woods, drawn into the case of South African activist Steve Biko (Denzel Washington) (158 min).
※ *Empire Leicester Square (01-200* 0200). Progs 12.05, 3.00, 6.00, 9.00.

■ **JEAN DE FLORETTE (PG):** Absorbing, beautifully acted version of *Marcel Pagnol's novel about Provençal* life in the 1920s; with Yves Montand, and Daniel Auteuil. (121 min).
Cannon Premiere (01-439 4470). Progs 2.20, 4.40, 7.10, 9.35.

THE SICILIAN (15): Michael Cimino's latest extravaganza — an epic account of the post-war outlaw leader Salvatore Giuliano, with an odd bunch of *international players (Christopher* Lambert as Giuliano, Joss Ackland as a Mafia chieftain) (146 min).
Odeon Haymarket (01-839 7697). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.45.

■ **SHAG (15):** Frivolous film, named after an American dance craze; with Bridget Fonda, Phoebe Cates, Page Hannah and a youthful cast as boys and *girls entering a dance contest in the* 1960s (100 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Prog 9.40.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 1.45, *4.00, 6.20, 8.40.*
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.10, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.



David Rechem

Dizzy's Cuban disciple

The fourth annual Manchester Festival opens tonight *with a Club Sandino party at the International* 2 (8pm, £5), starring the celebrated Cuban trumpeter and pianist Arturo Sandoval (above). It is a month since Sandoval ended his warmly-received residency at Ronnie Scott's, *where his natural showmanship* and frequent sallies into the upper register recalled the style of his patron saint, Dizzy Gillespie. As usual, the Manchester Festival, which runs until October 2, is presenting a wide-ranging, daily programme of events in the arts. The Nash Ensemble, the internationally renowned chamber music group, will appear at Manchester Cathedral (Thursday, 7.30pm, *£4-£5) with a set which includes* a recital of Debussy's rarely-performed sonata for flute, viola and harp. A showing of Murnau's original *Nosferatu The Vampire* (1922) at the Cornerhouse *Cinema 1 (061 228 2463, Wednesday, 8.15pm. £3.50)* will be accompanied by live music from the quartet Entr'acte. Among the many excellent multi-cultural musicians taking part are the British Muslim singer *Najma Akhtar and her group Qareeb (also* former visitors to Ronnie Scott's), who make their festival appearance at the Royal Exchange Theatre (Sunday, 8.30pm, £3.50-£6). Unnerving spectacles of gymnastic derring-do will be the order of the day when the Peking Acrobats appear at the Free Trade Hall (Tuesday, 7.30pm, *£4.50-£7.50).* Tickets for all events at the Manchester Festival (except films) are available from Manchester Ticket Shop, Town Hall Extension, St Peters Square (061 236 8474, cc 061 236 7231, info: 061 236 9422 ext 219). *David Sinclair*

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **TELEMANN'S MORALS:** Conducted as ever by Peter Lea-Cox, the Lecosaldi Ensemble performs *Hoffmung,* No 2 of *Telemann's Moral Cantatas,* following it with Vivaldi's Cello Sonata No 2.
St Anne and St Agnes's, Gresham St, London EC2 (01-373 5566), 1.10-1.50pm, free.

☆ **HEAR HICKEY:** With Oto Miyaoi at the piano, Peter Hickey plays Brahms's really rather grim Cello Sonata Op 38 and Ravel's somnolent *Pièce en forme de Habanera.*
St Martin-within-Ludgate, Ludgate Hill, London EC4 (01-248 6054), 1.15-1.45pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **LAST SYMPHONIES:** Antal Dorati conducts a performance of Mozart's Symphony No 41 *"Jupiter" by the RPO,* to which are added the Brighton Festival Chorus and soloists for Beethoven's Symphony No 9.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, *London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928* 8800). 7.30-9.45pm, £4-£20.

☆ **WILSON-JOHNSON/OWEN-NORRIS:** As a further contribution to the "Three *Romantics at Blackheath" series* David Wilson-Johnson sings Schumann's *Liederkreis* Op 24, *Dichterliebe* Op 48 plus *Lieder* by Mendelssohn and Brahms. David Owen-Norris *accompanies.*
Blackheath Concert Hall, 23 Lee Rd, London SE3 (01-463 0100), 7.30pm, £5.50, £7.50.

☆ **ROMNEY RARETIES:** Among the out-of-the-way items presented by the Romney Trio are Bruch's Pieces Op 83, *Reinecke's Trio Op 264, Kvandel's* Elegy and Capriccio and Jacob's Miniature Suite.
St John's, Smith Sq, London SW1 (01-222 1061), 7.30pm, £2.50-£5.50.

☆ **MORE MESSIAEN:** Carl-Axel Dominique continues his series of piano *recitals marking Messiaen's 80th* birthday with more pieces from *Catalogue d'Oiseaux.*
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £3-£6.

☆ **PLUS BEETHOVEN:** The "Beethoven Plus" series continues with Richard *Hickox conducting the City of London* Sinfonia in such rarities as Kreitzer's *Lodoiska* Overture and Cherubini's Symphony in D. These are separated by Beethoven's Violin Concerto with *Ruggiero Ricci as soloist.*
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.45pm, £3.50-£7.

☆ **SWAN SONGS:** As part of another series, "Schubert and Twentieth-Century Austrians", Jacek Strauch, *baritone, sings Schubert's* ***Schwanengesang*** D 744. At the piano is Iain Ledingham.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 8pm, *£2.50, £5.*

CLASSICAL TOP 20

1	(1)	**Elgar: Cello Concerto**	Du Pré, *HMV*
2	(2)	**Vivaldi: Four Seasons**	AAM/Hogwood, *L'Oiseau Lyre*
3	(–)	**Sibelius: Symphonies**	Rattle/CBSO, *HMV Reflexe*
4	(7)	**Lloyd Webber: Requiem**	Domingo/Brightman/ECO, *HMV*
5	(3)	**Albinoni: Adagio/Pachelbel: Canon**	Karajan/BPO, *DG*
6	(4)	**Elgar: Cello Concerto**	Du Pré/Bareboim, *CBS*
7	(5)	**Holst: The Planets**	Karajan/BPO, *DG*
8	(5)	**Elgar: Cello Concerto**	Lloyd Webber/Menuhin, *Philips*
9	(8)	**Wagner: Tanhauser Overture**	Karajan/VPO, *DG*
10	(13)	**Tchaikovsky: 1812 Overture**	Solti/CSO, *Decca Classical*
11	(9)	**Tchaikovsky: 1812 Overture**	Dutoit/MSO, *Decca Classical*
12	(–)	**Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto 2**	Boult/LPO, *Decca Classical*
13	(10)	**Verdi/Donietti: Arias**	Pavarotti, *Decca Classical*
14	(–)	**Handel: Messiah Excerpts**	ASMF/Marriner, *Decca Classical*
15	(11)	**Walton: Symphony 1**	Slatkin/LPO, *Virgin*
16	(15)	**Beethoven: String Quartets**	Borodin String Quartet, *Virgin*
17	(18)	**Vivaldi: Four Seasons**	Perlman/LPO, *HMV*
18	(–)	**Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto**	Abbado/VPO, *DG*
19	(19)	**Grieg: Peer Gynt**	Karajan/BPO, *DG*
20	(20)	**Beethoven: Symphonies 5 & 6**	Karajan/BPO, *DG*

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OPERA

☆ **CARMEN:** David Pountney's *West Side Story*-style production still going strong with Jean Rigby in the title role *and Yan Pascal Tortelier conducting.*
English National Opera, Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161). 7-10pm, £2.50-£26.

☆ **THE MIDSUMMER MARRIAGE:** Tim Albery's witty and perceptive 1950s-style production of Tippett's opera, first *unveiled at Opera North* and now opening Scottish Opera's new season, strongly cast.
Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041 331 1234), 7.15-10pm, £3-£23.

☆ **THE SERAGLIO:** New production of Mozart's "Turkish" opera for Opera Northern Ireland, to be sung in English at Belfast's exquisite Frank Matcham theatre. Kenneth Montgomery conducts.
Grand Opera House, Belfast (0232 241919), 7.30-10.30pm, £11-£18.

ROCK

☆ **SO:** Anodyne American-sounding British duo currently being given a big promotional push.
Marquee, 105 Charing Cross Rd, *London WC2 (01-437 8603) 7pm, £4.50.*

☆ **TANITA TIKARAM:** The "Good *Tradition"* wunderkind promoting her superb debut album, *Ancient Heart.*
Beck Theatre, Grange Rd, Hayes, Middlesex (01-561 8371) 8pm. £5.50-£6.50.

☆ **HUGO LARGO:** Weirdo New York *quartet* comprising two electric bass players, a violinist, and the warbling voice of Mimi Goese.
ICA, The Mall, London SW1 *(01-930* 3647) 8pm. £6.

★ ***BELINDA CARLISLE:*** *More* featherweight rock from the "Heaven Is A Place On Earth" star.
Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline St, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, £7-£8, *for two nights.*

JAZZ

☆ **BUDDY TATE:** A legendary figure from the swing era, the Basie saxophonist appears with the Stan *Greig Trio.*
Pizza Express, 10 Dean St, London W1 (01-439 8722) 9.30pm, ring for prices.

☆ **COURTNEY PINE:** His latest dates coincide with the release of an EP of *Coltranesque ballads.*
Empire Theatre, High St West, Sunderland (091 514 2517) 7.30pm, £2.50-£6.50.

☆ **SHEILA JORDAN:** The American singer is in residence until tomorrow.
Bass Clef, 35 Coronet Street, London *N1 (01-729 2476) 8.45pm, £3.50.*

☆ **HUMAN CHAIN:** Django Bates's *satirical trio of multi-instrumentalists is* promoting a new album, *Cashin' In.*
Jazz Cafe, 56 Newington Green, London N16 (01-359 4936) 8.30pm, £3.

DANCE

☆ ***BODY LANGUAGE:*** *Five works for* London Contemporary Dance Theatre.
Mayflower, Commercial Rd, Southampton (0703 229771) 7.30-10pm £4.50-£7.

GALLERIES

A NEST OF NIGHTINGALES: A *bicentenary exhibition featuring* portraits of the musical Linley Family by Thomas Gainsborough (1727-1788).
Dulwich Picture Gallery, College Rd, London SE21 (01-693 5254). Tues-Sat 10am-1pm & 2-5pm, £1.50, until Dec 30.

FLOWERS FROM THE ARTISTS *GARDEN: Exhibition of works* by Gillian Whaite.
Museum of Garden History, Trandescant Trust, Lambeth Palace Rd, SE1 (01-261 1891). Mon-Fri 11am-3pm, closed Sat, Sun 10.30am-5pm, free. Until Oct 2.

THE EXPERIENCE OF LANDSCAPE: Works by British artists and photographers selected from the Arts Council's collection.
Oriel 31 Gallery, The Park, Newtown, Powys (0686 25041), Mon-Sat 10am-4pm, free, until Oct 21.

CONTEMPORARY PORTRAITS: *This* new gallery opens with works by, among others, Hockney, Blake, Lucy Jones and Peter Howson.
Flowers East, 199-205 Richmond Rd, *Hackney E8 (01-985 3333), Wed-Sun* 10am-6pm, free, until Nov 12.



Cora MacCready's *1909* design (above) for a black and white ribbon costume is among 140 watercolour sketches in the exhibition *Wake Up and Dream,* which opens tomorrow at the Theatre Museum, Covent Garden (see listing). The show celebrates the contribution of costume designers to the golden age of the Broadway musical, from 1900 to 1925, and shows how styles were adapted to reflect the changing female form, from the ample figure of the First World War period to the androgynous shape of the 1920s.

MABEL LUCIE ATTWELL (1879-1964): Originals by the children's illustrator. *Chris Beetles,* 10 Ryder St, London SW1 (01-839 7551), daily 10am-5.30pm, free, until Oct 7.

WALKS

LONDON'S HIDDEN VILLAGE — *CLERKENWELL:* meet Farringdon tube, 2.30pm, £3.

LONDON'S THEATRELAND: meet Theatre Museum, Russell Street, 10.30am, £3.

A JOURNEY THROUGH DICKENS'S LONDON: meet Embankment tube, 11am, £2.50.

RICH AND POOR CITY: meet St Paul's tube, 11am, £3.

LONDON'S ROCK ROUTES: meet *Leicester Square tube, 7.15pm, £3.*

THE BODY SNATCHERS: meet St Paul's tube, *9pm, £3.*

OTHER EVENTS

TATTON PARK ANTIQUES FAIR: *All* items previously vetted by Sotheby's *Chester saleroom.* Most antiques to pre-1865 dateline except porcelain, silver, and bronzes — (pre) 1885, jewellery — (pre) 1914, *and oil and water* colours (pre) 1920.
The Tenants Hall, Tatton Park, Knutsford, Cheshire. Until Sun. Today 2-9pm, tomorrow and Fri 11am-9pm, Sat 11am-6pm, Sun *11am-5pm. Admission* £2.50.

PHOTOGRAPHY BY THE DISABLED: Many fine images to be seen at this *annual exhibition of work by disabled* photographers from all over the UK and several from the Continent. The exhibition is sponsored Konica, the photographic company.
The Riverside Room, Richmond Library, Richmond, Surrey. Today until Sat, 10am-5pm. Admission free. (Info: Arthur Scrase, DPS, 190 Secrett House, Ham Close, Richmond, Surrey).

RHS PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATIONS: The experts show how you to construct sinks and troughs.
Royal Horticultural Society Garden, *Wisley, Surrey (0483 224234). Today,* tomorrow, 2-3pm. Adult £2.50, child 6-14 £1, under-six free.

ARDINGLY ANTIQUE & COLLECTORS FAIR: Largest fair of its kind in the South of England, with 1,250 stands and outside pitches.
South of England Showground, Ardingly, near Haywards Heath, Sussex. 7am-4pm. Admission before 10am, £2, after 10am, £1.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

SCHOENBERG: Booking open for BBC Symphony Orchestra concerts in South *Bank Schoenberg festival,* "The Reluctant Revolutionary", including concert performance of opera *Moses und Aron,* and unfinished oratorio *Jacobi's Ladder.* Oct 5-Nov 2.
Royal Festival Hall, *South Bank,* London SE1 (01-928 3191/8800).

ROYAL COURT CENTENARY: Saturday's celebration of the 100th birthday includes a champagne reception, special performance of *The Recruiting Officer* and an after-show *party.*
Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, London SW1 (01-730 1745).

BRIGADOON: Booking for Broadway show with Jacinta Mulcahy, Robert Meadmore, and Lesley Mackie. Opens Oct 25 at Victoria Palace Theatre. *Tickets: Stubs, 4 Norris St, London* SW1Y 4RJ (01-930 6123).

LAST CHANCE

REALITY AND IMAGINATION: Paintings from Naples of 17th, 18th and 19th-*centuries, showing Vesuvius,* carnival, and exhilarating city life.
City Art Centre, 2 Market St, Edinburgh. Ends Sat. (031 225 5767).

THE MODERN CHAIR: Examination of ideas and aesthetics of 20th-century furniture design, focusing on the chair, *showing contemporary work in its* historical context.
ICA, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 0493) Ends Sun.

Theatre: Tony Patrick; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

WORD-WATCHING

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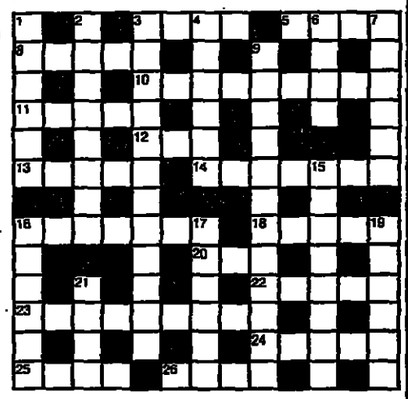
JACTATION
(b) A throwing, either of proud words, or of something more solid, from the Latin *iactare, iactatus* to throw: "The immediate frenzy of jactation before a spinfit or conniption."

PACHINKO
(b) A variety of pinball roulette popular in Japan, from the Japa-*nese pachin, an onomatopoeic word* reproducing the sound of something triggered off, + *-ko* the diminutive suffix: "Pachinko is played with handfuls of ball-bearings. You drop them one by one into the machine, flick them round, and if they land in a winning cup, the machine coughs back 15 ball-bearings."

GRANDMA
(c) American truckers' slang for the lowest and slowest gear on a truck, derivation sexist and ageist: "He cursed and yanked the lever into grandma."

LEVIRATE
(a) The custom among the Jews and some other nations by which the brother or next of kin to a deceased man was bound under certain *circumstances to marry the widow,* from the Latin *levir* a brother-in-law; *Under the Volcano:* "In Taxila, at the mouth of the Khyber Pass, the widow of a childless man might contract a levirate marriage with her brother-in-law."

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 1673



ACROSS
3 Eavesdropping mikes (4)
5 *Film excerpt* (4)
8 By oneself (5)
10 Foresighted person (9)
11 Pig (5)
12 Inflation scale (1,1,1)
13 Tranquil (5)
14 Seclusion (7)
16 Inns of Court governor (7)
18 Sorceress (5)
20 In the past (3)
22 Ottoman empire founder (5)
23 Nauseating (9)
24 Archery red (5)
25 Uncommon (4)
26 *Run away* (4)

DOWN
1 Common people (6)
2 *Social standing* (8)
3 Hollywood stars area (7,5)
4 Idle chatter (6)
6 Rich soil (4)
7 Weekly wage time (3,3)
9 *Dotted bass piano jazz* (6,6)
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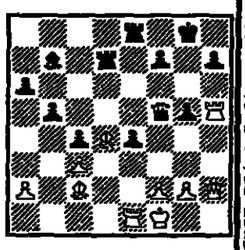
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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent



The above position is taken from the game between Fischer (White) and Bisguier (Black) Buenos Aires 1970. White plays and wins. The winning move will be given in tomorrow's *Times.*

Solution to yesterday's position: Black wins with 1 Rxe4+

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

St Saviour's, Walton Street, SW3
Orchestra of St Saviour's
JACK BRYNER : Clarinet
Susan Farrow : Conductor
Wednesday 21st September, 7.30pm
"The Viennese Masters"
Tickets: £7, £5.50, £3.50 at *the door or tel: 01-589 1101*

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL 01-928 3191 CC 01-928 8800 Tonight at 7.30 pm RPO. LOUIS FREMAUX Soloists and Chorus Mozart: Symphony No 41 (Jupiter); Beethoven; Symphony No 9 (Choral)

OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 cc 240 5258. ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Tom 7.00 Carmen. Today 8.00 Tosca.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 240 1066/1911. Sktsy info 836 6903. S CC 65 amptd seats avail on the day. Tomor 7.30 THE ROYAL OPERA Turandot. Sat 7.30 Die Entführung aus dem Serail.

SADLERS WELLS 278 8916 First Call CC 24 hr 7 day 240 7200 Opens Tom't Eve 7.30 MICHAEL CLARK & COMPANY.

THEATRES

ALDWYCH 836 6404/0641 CC 379 6233/741 9999 First Call 836 3464 (Bks Fee) PREVIEWS NOW Eves 7.30 Sat 5 & 8.30 OPENS SEPT 27. 7.0 ROWAN ATKINSON TIMOTHY WEST CHERYL CAMPBELL in THE SNEEZE Plays & Stories by Anton Chekhov Adapted by Michael Frayn Directed by Ronald Eyre

ALMEIDA THEATRE (01 359 4404 or 01 226 4468cc Mon-Sat 10am-6pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY Tom't 7.30. Tomor 2.00 & 7.30 Seneca's OEDIPUS adapted by Ted Hughes "Hypnotically compelling" D. Telegraph. HELLO AND GOODBYE Thru Fri 7.30.

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APOLLO Shaftes. Ave. 01-437 2663 CCTB 01-741 9999 (No Bkg Fee) Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (No Bkg Fee) Grp Sls 01 930 6123 SIDNEY KELLER BARRY FOSTER CLARKE PETERS in DRIVING MISS DAISY by Alfred Uhry Winner/ 1988 Pulitzer Prize "A Magical Performance" S.Tel Evgs. Mon-Sat 8.00 Mats. Sat 5.00

ARTS S 836 2132/ CC 379 4444 24 hrs. 7 days (no bkg fee) Hot Tuck in Joan Clarke's TEECHERS "TALES OUT OF SCHOOL" The Guardian... "MARVELLOUSLY FUNNY" The Times Mon-Thurs 8, Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 Sund., UB40's, Sav.Cits £1.50 off 1 hr before curt.

APOLLO VICTORIA BS 828 8665 cc 630 6262 Groups 828 6188 CC Open All Hours 379 4444 1st Call 240 7200 / 741 9999 Group Sales 930 6123 Eves 7.45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0 "PHENOMENAL YOU HAVE TO SEE IT" D Tel STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyrics by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN SOME SEATS AVAIL THIS WEEK ONLY. Cls on Thurs eve NOW BOOKING TO MAR 31 '89

BARBICAN THEATRE 01 638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-9pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY FINAL PERFS! Tom't 7.30, tomor 2.0 & 7.30. Cls Sept & 1 Oct. THE MERCHANT OF VENICE 'Antony Sher's performance is an outright triumph' today. THE TAMING OF THE SHREW Thru Fri 7.30. Sunday 7.00pm "RAISING THE ROOF" All-star gala. Some tkts still avail! THE PIT Tom't 7.30, tomor 2.0 & 7.30 TITUS ANDRONICUS Fri, Sat 7.00 THE RITE OF THE NIGHT.

BLOOMSBURY THEATRE Gordon Street WC1 01 387 9629 The National Youth Theatre presents BLOOD BROTHERS by Frederico Garcia Lorca LAST WEEK Evgs 8.00 Sat 2.30 & 8.00 Sponsored by Sainsburys

BOULEVARD Berwick St Soho W1. Sept 20 - Oct 15 Tel: 01 434 1298 CANDIDA by G B Shaw JULIA RICHARD FOSTER GIBSON VICTOR PETER MADDISEN PAGET Perfs Eves 7.45 Sat Mat 4.00

BROADWAY E 01 534 5566 cc 379 6433 Groups 828 6188 CC Open All Hours 379 4444 (no bkg fee) First Call 24hr 7 day cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 Commonwealth BLOOD WEDDING 9.15 JEREMY HARDY 11.15 (Thu-Sat) THE FRONT LAWN.

CAMBRIDGE 379 6299 cc no bkg fee 741 9999/ 24hr bkg fee 240 7200/379 4444 Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING ADAM FAITH ANITA DOBSON BUDGIE The Musical. Opens October 18. Previews from October 4

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CHITRION S 857 1117 CC 857 1111/379 4444/741 9999. Grps 857 1113. Eves 8. Thu mat 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company BRIAN MURPHY JEFFREY HOLLAND JOHN JURSKEN LINDA JELLI HAYDEN FOOT MAY LESLIE LORRAINE LAWTON RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! LONDON'S LONGEST RUNNING COMEDY Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 2000 performances "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex

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DONMAR WAREHOUSE 240 8230 CC 867 1111/379 4444 PREMIER PERF SEPT 26 THE RIVER 26 Sept-1 Oct 7pm Commonwealth BLOOD WEDDING 9.15 JEREMY HARDY 11.15 (Thu-Sat) THE FRONT LAWN.

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL Box Office cc 01-836 8108. Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (no bkg fee) First Call 24hr 7 day cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Grp Sls 930 6123 David Merrick's 42ND STREET WINNER OF THREE MAJOR 'BEST MUSICAL' AWARDS 1984 Eves 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0. Sat 5.0 & 8.30. Reduced prices for Previews. Students and OAP's standby. Group Sales 01 930 6123

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LONDON PALLADIUM 01-437 7373 EVENINGS 7.30. MATS WEDS & SATS 2.45 TOPOL In "The Most Spectacular Show the West End Has Seen in Yrs" TODAY ZIEGFELD A Musical Extravaganza with Cast of 50 Seats also available 24 hours 7 days a week through First Call on 01-836 2428. Party bookings 01-240 7911. SPECIAL MATINEE OFFERS: Weds Matinee seats half price. Sats Mats Stalls/Royal Circle seats £10.50 each from 10am on day of performance. JEWISH HOLIDAYS Please note that at today's matinee the role of Mr Ziegfeld will be played by Marc Leyshaun in place of Topol. At tonight's performance Topol returns but the performance will be delayed from 7.30 to 8 pm.

LYRIC 01 437 3686 01 434 1680 cc 01 434 1050/734 8166/741 9999 24 hr cc 379 4444/836 3464 (bkg fee) Grps 930 6123 BRIAN RIX presents ELSPET GRAY DEREK GRIFFITHS & RICHARD VERNON in DRY ROT by JOHN CHAPMAN Eves 8 Mats Thur 2.30 & Sat Now Previewing Opens Sept 28

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01 741 2311 Eves 7.45pm Mats Wed 2.30pm Sat 5pm. THE PRETTY DREAMS IN AN EMPTY CITY by Stephen Sewell. "Highly charged conflict between three brilliantly performed characters" Times. "A chanderesque setting of financial and murderous intrigue" S.Times. Studio: Eves 8pm Tue. Sat 4pm BOYS in PRIVATE.

MAGGIE SMITH MARGARET TYZACK in LETTICE AND LOVAGE a New comedy by PETER SHAFFER with RICHARD PEARSON directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE Evgs 7.45, Sat Mat 3.00

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755, cc 01 853 3600 (no bkg fee) Evenings 7.45 Mats Sat 2.30 CAPTAIN CARVALLO by Derek Gunnen. "A rip-roaring tale of revenge" Time Out. "Wonderfully funny" Times.

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

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BBC1

6.30 Olympic Breakfast Time introduced by *Steve Rider*. Includes Olympic summaries from David Icke at **6.30, 7.30** and **8.30. 8.55** Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather followed by **Olympic Grandstand** introduced by Bob Wilson and Sally Jones. Includes highlights of the cross-country section of the three-day event; cycling; gymnastics; tennis; news of gold medals in fencing, shooting, wrestling and weightlifting; and reports from the modern pentathlon and yachting. **News** and weather at **10.00**
10.25 Children's BBC introduced by Andy Crane begins with **Play School** (r). **10.50 The Perishers** with the voice of Leonard Rossiter (r). **10.55 Five to Eleven** with Dora Bryan.
11.00 News and weather followed by **Olympic Grandstand.** Further action from Seoul including, at **11.30,** the women's gymnastics final. **News** and weather at **12.00. 12.55** Regional news and weather
1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather.
1.30 Neighbours. The Robinson *household is* troubled by the return of Luch to Ramsey Street.
1.50 Knots Landing. Karen is given the stark choice of an operation with a 50/50 chance of success or eventual paralysis and death.
2.35 I've Got a Secret. Game show introduced by *Tom O'Connor.* His guests are Gyles Brandreth, *Sandra Dickinson, Barry Cryer,* Nina Myskow, Bruno Brookes and Frankie Howerd **3.05 Valerie.** American domestic comedy series starring Valerie Harper (r). **3.30 The Pink Panther Show** (r).
3.50 Two by Two. The second of 15 wildlife programmes presented by Jenny Powell **4.05 The Snorks.** Animated adventures
4.20 Beat the Teacher. Quiz game introduced by Bruno Brookes **4.35 Hertbeat.** Tony Hart's guide to making better pictures. (Ceefax)
5.00 Newsround 5.10 The True Story of Spit MacPhee. Episode two of the drama serial set in Australia **5.35 Neighbours** (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. *Weather*
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Olympics Today with Desmond Lynam. Highlights from the three-day event; swimming; gymnastics; and the modern pentathlon; news of the gold medals in fencing, shooting, weightlifting and wrestling.
8.30 Telly Addicts. The Staple family from Swansea meet the *Mooras from Sutton.*
9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Social and Liberal Democrats
9.10 News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather
9.40 The War Generation — Beirut. A documentary about the 13 years of war in Lebanon and how children cope with the transition from playing with toy weapons to using the real thing. (Ceefax)
10.30 The Good Life. Vintage comedy series starring Richard Briers and Felicity Kendal as the Surbiton self-sufficients — the Goods (r).
11.00 Wogan *with Sue Lawley.* On tonight's guest list are French composer Jean-Michel Jarre; *Labour MP Joe Ashton;* and Australian writer Germaine Greer. *Plus music from composer* and pianist Howard Goodall. Followed by Weather
11.30 Olympic Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The timetable is (subject to alteration): **12.00** Swimming/cycling/modern pentathlon; **3.00am** Gymnastics; **6.00** Three-day event/rowing. Ends at **6.30.**

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Pure Maths — *Space-Time Geometry.* Ends at **7.20. 9.00 Ceefax**
9.50 Daytime on Two: French for beginners **10.05** For the very young **10.20** Different breads **10.40** The Glasgow Garden Festival **11.00** Words and pictures **11.15** Storytelling **11.35** Maths **11.55** An introduction to Christianity **12.15** Pedal power **12.35** Going to work **1.00** For people with learning difficulties.
1.25 Pigeon Street (r). **1.40 Zig Zag** (r).
2.00 News and weather followed by **Storytime** (r).
2.15 Olympic Grandstand introduced by Bob Wilson and Sally Jones. Highlights from today's action in Seoul. **News** and weather at **3.00** and **3.50**
4.00 The Magical Indian Roadshow. *A The World About Us* programme about India's village square entertainers (r). **4.55 Holiday Outings.** John Pitman at a hotel in Darlington that caters for *pets and their owners* (r).
5.00 The Victorian Kitchen Garden. (r). (Ceefax)
5.30 Film 88. Among the films *reviewed by Barry Norman are Stars and Bars, No Man's Land* and *The Running Man.*
6.00 Def II begins with **Mission Impossible** (r).
6.50 Open to Question. The first of a new series and John Prescott, challenging for the deputy leadership of the Labour Party, is questioned by a studio audience of teenagers
7.25 The 1988 Southampton International Boat Show
8.10 Antenna. A new series begins with films on weather forecasting; homoeopathy; and the fitness of athletes.
9.00 M*A*S*H. Hotlips finally names the day (r).
9.25 ScreenPlay: Brick is Beautiful. A young man dreams of success and thinks the answer lies in Victorian bricks (r).
10.45 Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Social and Liberal Democrats
10.55 Newsnight 11.40 Weather.
11.45 Open University: *The Primary* Health Care Team **12.10am** The Primordial Soup. Ends **12.40.**

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6.00 TV-am begins with **News** and *The Morning Programme,* introduced by Mike Morris; **7.00 News** followed by **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. *After Nine includes news and* a discussion on the connections between smoking and cervical cancer.
9.25 Thames news and weather **9.30** *Runway.* Travel and general knowledge quiz **10.00 Allsorts 10.20 News** headlines **10.25 Thames news** and weather
10.30 Mr & Mrs. Quiz game involving three married couples.
11.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights of the day's events introduced by Dickie Davies and Hazel Irvine. These include Britain's Andrew *Jameson's attempt* for the gold in the men's 100 metres butterfly.
1.00 News at One with Jon Snow **1.20 Thames news** and weather.
1.30 Olympics 1988 continued followed by **Crimestoppers.**
2.00 A Country Practice.
3.00 Take the High Road. Has Mrs Mack come up with a good idea for once? **3.25 Thames news** and weather **3.30 Sons and Daughters.**
4.00 The Raggy Dolls. With voices by Neil Innes **4.10 Tube Mice 4.20 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds.** Cartoon *adventures* **4.45 Toksvig.** *Young people's magazine series* presented by Sandi Toksvig
5.15 Olympics 1988. Further highlights of the day's events in Seoul.
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart.
6.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights continued
6.30 Thames news and weather **6.55 Help!** with news of *Wandsworth carers*
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Henry Wilks investigates the strange disappearance of Amos Brearly who has been missing for two days.
7.30 Coronation Street. Mike gives Curly a grilling; and Mavis wants to know the truth behind an unwelcome rumour. (Oracle)
8.00 Home James! Comedy series starring Jim Davidson as a *businessman's indispensable* chauffeur
8.30 The Joe Longthorne Show. Comedy impressions entertainment
9.00 Taggart. *The third and final* part of the thriller and the shopkeeper Fairlay survives a poison attempt — is his wife the guilty party? Starring Mark McManus. (Oracle)
10.00 Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Social and Liberal Democrats.
10.10 News with Carol Barnes and Alastair Stewart **10.40 Thames** *news and weather*
10.45 Film: Coogan's Bluff (1968) starring Clint Eastwood. Arizona deputy sheriff Walt Coogan goes to New York to bring back a killer held in custody. Frustrated by the city's red tape Coogan decides to take the law into his own hands — despite receiving news from home that he has been taken off the case. Directed by Donald Siegel.
12.30am Kojak. The New York detective discovers that his teenage godson he hasn't seen in years is under the influence of petty criminals.
1.30 *America's Top Ten*
2.00 News headlines and weather followed by **Film: The Mummy** (1959) *starring Peter Cushing* and Christopher Lee. Three English archaeologists fall foul of an *ancient high priest who is* resurrected after they desecrate the tomb of the Egyptian princess he was guarding. Directed by Terence Fisher.
4.00 News headlines followed by **Taxi.** Comedy series
4.30 Fifty Years On. Vintage newsclips.
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends **6.00.**

CHANNEL 4

7.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights of *the overnight action in Seoul.*
9.30 Schools: French language **9.52** Changing woodlands **10.09** Healthy living **10.26** Maths: circles **10.48** Two young *Brookside* actors talk about the difference between their public and private lives **11.05** Nina Bawden's novel *The Finding* **11.22** Extracts from the film *The Railway Children* **11.41** *Modern firefighting equipment*
12.00 Just 4 Fun: Hand in Hand (r).
12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Susannah Simons.
1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series.
2.00 Film: The Jolson Story (1946) starring Larry Parks. A fictionalized musical biography of the entertainer. With Evelyn Keyes. *Directed by Alfred E. Green* **4.20 The Town.** An animated film from Bulgaria.
4.30 Fifteen-to-One. General knowledge quiz game.
5.00 Cartoon Alphabet. Today, cartoons beginning with the letters *I* and J.
5.30 Mork & Mindy. Comedy series about an alien befriended by a young woman.
6.00 Family Ties.
6.30 The March of Time: Reporting the Dictators. This week's programme includes footage of Haile Selassie and Ethiopia in 1936. (Oracle)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Trevor McDonald and Sue Carpenter.
7.50 Comment and Weather
8.00 Brookside. *Jonathan learns* that Cheryl's visa depends on a successful interview at the Manchester Business School. (Oracle)
8.30 England's Henry Moore. (see Choice)
9.45 Film: The Front (1976) starring Woody Allen and Zero Mostel. Set in the New York of the 1950s, the story of a blacklisted television *writer who enlists the help of a* school friend to present scripts for him at the television studios. Directed by Martin Ritt.
11.30 Olympics 1988 including live gymnastics at **3.00am** and showjumping at **4.30.** Ends at **7.00.**

More puzzles over art



Was he a socialist or just an old-fashioned capitalist? Henry Moore with some of his work which was on exhibition in the Arts Council Gallery, Cambridge, in early 1962 (C4, 8.30pm)

TELEVISION CHOICE

● Think what you like of our Prime Minister, but she certainly comes in handy for providing texts for television documentaries. The latest to make use of her *bons mots* is **England's Henry Moore** (Channel 4, 8.30pm), a film from ICA Television "conceived and developed" by Anthony Barnett. He opens the film by quoting from Mrs T's speech about having "altered the course of British politics for at least a generation", which may or may not be true but seems to have little to do with Henry Moore. The film has other puzzles. It has virtually nothing about the origin and development of Moore's art and why it took *the form it did. Only at the* end is there any attempt to assess his work, and then in the mainly negative terms of his having "gone commercial" and become too ready to be swayed by the flattery of critics. It is curious, too, that there is hardly a word, written or spoken, from Moore himself. Indeed he only appears in a couple of brief clips, once on the steps of the British Museum with Sir Kenneth Clark (one of the flatterers) and on the other occasion attending a show of his work in Texas. *Barnett seems to be following* the Marxist line that art is not the product of individual genius but can only be explained by the social and political conditions in which it is produced. We therefore have much emphasis on Moore's working class roots in Yorkshire, his experiences in the First World War (in which he was a bayonet instructor) and his involvement — rather vaguely defined — in left-wing politics during the Depression and the rise of fascism. But Barnett never manages to establish a convincing connection between this wider political context and Moore's sculptures, except that as a bayonet instructor he learned about human anatomy. The later part of the film is less ideological and more illuminating. It is particularly good on Moore's switch from stone to bronze, producing a factory system in which the sculptures were mass produced by a team instead of being unique objects individually carved by Moore himself. According to Lord Callaghan, who as Chancellor of the Exchequer used to invite Moore to Downing Street to leaven the obligatory guest-lists of bankers and industrialists, Moore was *always concerned that his works* should realize their proper market price. It seems that Barnett's putative socialist may have been an old-fashioned capitalist after all.

Peter Waymark

In Kilvert's footsteps

RADIO CHOICE



June Knox-Mawer: Clyro rediscovered (R4, 11.00am)

● Like it or not, more people than ever are going to flock to the village of Clyro, in Powys, as a result of **In Kilvert Country** (*Radio 4, 11.00am*). This is ironic because Francis Kilvert, Clyro curate and diarist between 1870 and 1977 said that of all noxious animals, the most noxious was the tourist. June Knox-Mawer's re-discovery of Clyro and the surrounding fields and *villages where Kilvert trudged* while mentally noting items for his diary, reveals that much remains as it was. The window with its 100 panes of glass, affording a good view of the Swan Inn (now the Baskerville Arms), can still be looked through, and the hook behind the bedroom door in the house where he lodged, and on which he hung his cleric's robes, is probably the same one that is fixed there still. Gone, though, is the bed in which Hannah Jones and Sarah Probert, "groaning horribly", perked up remarkably when Kilbert made them a gift of money. Although there appear to be as many researchers into Kilvert's rural world as there are admirers of his diary, question marks still hang over these pleasant acres. Why did Kilbert think the maid at his lodgings was a beast? Why was he so attracted to pretty little girls? June Knox-Mawer, modestly deflecting our admiration from her reporter's skill, concludes with the thought that whatever facts or episodes the Kilbert researchers continue to uncover, there is no substitute for the unchanging magic of the diary itself.

● Radio 3's centenary tribute to T.S. Eliot shuns the conventional biographical approach in favour of analysis and readings of **The Four Quartets.** Five programmes in all, beginning tonight (*R3,* 9.30pm) with an elucidating essay by Dr Eric Griffiths, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, with useful elaborating comment from Maurice Cowling, and continuing tomorrow night with readings of all four poems by Alec Guinness (recorded in 1973) and John Franklyn-Robbins (in 1983).

Peter Davalle



Barry Norman reviews the week's films (BBC2, 5.30pm)

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 6.35pm-7.00 Wales Today 11.20-11.30 News and weather **SCOTLAND:** 6.35pm Reporting Scotland 7.00 Party Political Broadcast (Social and Liberal Democrats) 7.10 Sportscene — Rangers v Hearts, live 9.30 Telly Addicts 10.00 FSd 10.10-11.00 *The War Generation — Beirut* **NORTHERN IRELAND:** 5.35pm Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35 Neighbour 6.55-7.05 Inside Ulster Update 10.30-11.00 As I Rowed Out **ENGLAND:** 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines

BBC2 SCOTLAND: 8.00pm The BBC Scotland Photography Awards 8.10 National and regional news. Weather 9.40 M*A*S*H 10.05 The Good Life 10.35-10.45 Sounding Brass **NORTHERN IRELAND:** 10.40am-11.00 Ulster in Focus

ANGLIA *As London except:*1.20pm-1.30 News 6.30-7.00 About Anglia 12.35am POV 1.35 Soap 2.00 Film: Meteor 4.00 Wildwatch 4.30-5.00 Jack Thompson Down Under

BORDER As London except:10.30am-11.00 Bright Ideas 1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00 9 to 5 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.30-7.00 Lookaround 12.35am Donahue 1.30 Formule One 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

CENTRAL As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Kreskin's Quest 6.30-7.00 News 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Wrestling 2.30 Twilight Zone 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Jobfinder

CHANNEL As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.30-3.00 Short Story 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.30-7.00 Channel Report 12.30am Film: Death at Love House 2.00 The Fugitive 3.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

GRAMPIAN As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 3.00-3.30 Parlour Game 6.30-7.00 North Tonight 10.45 Welcome to Gaeldom 11.30 At the Maintenance Shop 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Backtrack 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 *Night Beat*

GRANADA As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Quincy 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Backtrack 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

HTV WEST As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Falcon Crest 6.30-7.00 News 12.30am Donahue 1.30 South American Soccer 3.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00 Poor Billy Render 4.30-5.00 Jobfinder

SCOTTISH As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00 Family Theatre 3.00 Seeing Stars 3.30-4.00 Gardening Time 6.30-7.00 Scotland Today 10.45 Welcome to Gaeldom 11.30 Music Special 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Backtrack 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

TSW As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Falcon Crest 6.30-7.00 Today 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Back Track 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

TVS As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.30-3.00 Short Story 6.30-7.00 Coast to Coast 12.30am Film: Death at Love House 2.00 The Fugitive 3.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

TYNE TEES As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 6.30-7.00 Northern Life 12.30am Donahue 1.30 Backtrack 2.00 Wrestling 3.00 POV 4.00-5.00 Night Beat

ULSTER As London except:10.30am-11.00 Ulster Way 1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Matlock 6.30-7.00 Matlock 12.30am News, Closedown

YORKSHIRE As London except:1.20pm-1.30 *News* 2.00 *Jimmy's* 2.30-3.00 Who's the Boss? 6.30-7.00 Calendar 12.30am Film: Breakthrough 2.15 Love, American Style 2.30 America's Top 10 3.00 WKRP in Cincinatti 3.30 Music Box 4.30-5.00 Jobfinder

S4C Starts:9.30am Schools 12.00 Interval 12.10pm Pobol y Cwm 12.30 News 12.35 Fistabelam 1.00 *Sesame Street* 2.00 *Fifteen to One* 2.30 Guitarist 3.00 All Music and Magic 3.30 Take Six Cooks 4.00 Cartoon Alphabet 4.30 Mister Ed 5.00 Story Teller 5.30 Cosby Show 6.00 News 6.15 Smyrffs 6.40 Pobol y Cwm 7.00 Llygad y Ddraig 7.30 Ymryson y Beirdd 8.00 *Hel Straeon* 8.30 News 8.55 Fiermio 9.25 Film: White Mama 11.15 Movie Museum 11.35 Olympics

RTE 1 Starts:4.10pm Bosco 4.40 How! 5.05 Folk Tale 5.15 Real Ghostbusters 5.45 News 6.00 Newstime 6.30 World of Survival 7.00 Seoul 88 8.00 News 9.20 Shogun 11.05 Ray Bradbury Theatre 11.35 News, Closedown

RTE 2 Starts:7.00am Seoul 88 10.00 Closedown 5.10pm Emmerdale Farm 6.35 Out of Town 6.05 The Alien 6.30 Country Practice 7.00 Design Classics 7.30 Coronation Street 8.00 Nuacht 8.05 Cine Club 9.55 Masterworks 10.05 Streets of San Francisco 11.00 Seoul 88 3.00am Closedown

Radio 1

VHF Stereo **MW** (medium wave)
5.30 Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30** Newsbeat (Lesley Curwen) **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat (Simon Leach) **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Liz Kershaw **10.00-12.00** John Peel

Radio 2

VHF Stereo (except **10.00pm-12.00** midnight)
MW (medium wave)
News on the hour
4.00 Bill Rennells **5.30** Chris Stuart **7.35** Derek Jameson **9.30** Emlyn Hughes **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** David Jacobs **2.05** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Party Political Broadcast by the Social and Liberal Democratic Party **3.35** Joe Brown **5.05** John Stalker **7.00** Jim Lloyd with Folk on 2 **8.30** Latin Quarter (new series) **9.00** Listen to the Band with Roy Newsome **10.00** Can I Take That Again? **10.15** Bob Kerr's Whoopee Band **10.30** Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory **11.00** Brian Matthew with Round Midnight **1.00-4.00** Patrick Lunt with Nightride

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST. 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Meridian 7.00 World News 7.09 24 Hours 7.30 Development '88 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Classical Record Review 8.30 Raffles 8.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News followed by Olympic Sportsworld 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Omnibus 10.30 *Londres Midi* 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Country Stories 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Time for Verse 12.25 The Farming World 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.09 24 Hours 1.30 Olympic Sportsworld 1.45 Development '88 2.00 Outlook, opening with World News 2.45 Report on Religion 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Mastering Photography 3.30 Fallen Arches 4.00 World News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 English by Radio 4.45 Londres Soir 5.30 Heute Aktuell 6.00 Programmes *in German 7.00 Outlook, opening with* News Summary 7.39 Stock Market Report 7.45 Olympic Sportsworld 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours 8.30 Legacy of the Sixties 9.00 News Summary 9.01 Network UK 9.15 Celluloid Rock 9.45 Recording of the Week 10.00 World News 10.09 The World Today 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Write On... 11.30 Multitrack 2 12.00 World News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Fallen Arches 1.00 *News Summary 1.01 Outlook* 1.30 Wavaguide 1.40 Book Choice 1.45 Society Today 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Network UK 2.30 Legacy of the Sixties 3.00 World News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 Six Four Eight News 3.35 Financial News 3.45 Morgenmagazin 4.45 The World Today 5.00 World News and 24 Hours 5.30 Londres Matin.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, News Headlines **7.00** Morning Concert: Boyce (Symphony No 7 in B flat: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville Marriner); Françaix (Six danses exotiques: Geneviève Joy and Jacqueline Robin-Bonneau, pianos); Butterworth (The Banks of Green Willow: ECO under Jeffrey Tate)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (contd): Chabrier (Suite pastorale: French National Orchestra under Armin Jordan); Debussy arr Caplet (Boîte à joujoux: Basle SO under Armin Jordan)
8.35 Composers of the Week: Liszt. Les Préludes: Amsterdam Concertgebouw Orchestra under Bernard Haitink; Grand Fantasia on themes from *Lélio:* Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra under Kurt Masur, with Michel Béroff, piano; Elegy: Anner Bylsma (cello), Gerda Ockers (harp), Reinbert de Leeuw (piano) and Bob Zimmerman (harmonium); Orpheus: Hungarian State Orchestra under Janos Ferencsik
9.35 Shepherds in the Fields: Corelli (Concerto Grosso Op 6 no 8 (Christmas Eve): La Petite Bande under Sigiswald Kuijken); Schütz (The Christmas Story: Taverner Consort, Choir and Players under Andrew Parrott, with Nigel Rogers, tenor, and Emma Kirkby, soprano); Praetorius (In dulci jubilo: Taverner Consort, Choir and Players under Parrott)
10.10 Haydn and Mendelssohn Piano Trios: Haydn's Piano Trio in E (H XV 28) and Mendelssohn's Piano Trio No 2 in C minor Op 66 (r)
11.00 Midweek Choice: Hindemith (Kammermusik No 3 Op 36 No 2: Concerto Amsterdam with Anner Bylsma, cello); Schubert (Drei Klavierstücke (D 946): Ian Lake, piano); Mercadante (Flute Concerto in E minor: Severino Gazzelloni and I Musici); Kodaly (Serenade in F Op 12: Pina Carmirelli, violin, Igor Ozim, violin, and Max Rostal, viola); Scharwenka (Piano Concerto No 1 in B flat minor: Boston SO under Erich Leinsdorf with Earl Wild). Presented by Susan Sharpe
1.00 News
1.05 Concert Hall: Live from the BBC Concert Hall, London. *Richard Jackson (baritone)* and Graham Johnson (piano) perform Brahms's Meine Liebe ist grun, An ein Veilchen, *Blinde Kuh,* In Waldeseinsamkeit, Auf dem Kirchhofe, Vergebliches, and Standchen; Dvorak's My Song Resounds, My Heart is Filled with Pain, I Have a Grey Horse, Songs My Mother Taught Me, and Kolias (sung in Czech); and Tchaikovsky's Evening, Night, My Genius My Angel My Friend, Blue Eyes of Spring, No Reply, Not a Word Not a Greeting, and I Bless You Forests (sung in German)
2.00 Record Review: Includes a comparison of recordings of Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring;* plus Julian Budden reviewing some new operatic releases including *La bohème* (r)
3.00 Early Birds: John Beckett with recordings by pioneers of early music including Arnold Dolmetsch
4.00 Choral Vespers: For the Feast of St Matthew, live from Westminster Cathedral
5.00 *Mainly for Pleasure:* A selection of music presented by Michael Berkeley
6.30 Music for Guitar: Brazilian guitarist Dagoberto Linhares plays Sao Marcos's *La mer;* Piazzolla's Verano Porteno; Milonga del angel; and Muerta del angel; Savio's Seroes; and Sonha Iaia; and Pernambuco's Sons de carrilhoes; and Jongo
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Robert Hewison chairs a discussion about a topical subject related to the politics and arts
7.30 Vespers for the Gonzaga Court: Recordings by The Sixteen directed by Harry Christophers of the service of second Vespers for the feast of Santa Barbara as it may have been heard in 1608
9.30 The Four Quartets: First of five programmes about T.S. Eliot (see Choice)
10.20 Britannia Triumphans: Parley of Instruments directed by Peter Holman and Mark Caudle, with New London Consort directed by *Philip Pickett, perform* English consort music from the court of Kassel
11.00 Composers of the Week: Lennox Berkeley. Trio Op 44 for violin, horn and piano (mono); and Symphony No 2 Op 51 (r)
12.00 News
12.05 Wolf 88: Recording of Seamanns Abschied by *Hermann Prey (baritone)* with Konrad Richter (piano). Ends **12.10am**

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on **VHF**
5.55 Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day (s) **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** *News* **8.42** The Past is Myself by Christabel Bielenberg (8 of 10) **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Midweek: Presented by *Libby Purves. Includes the* author Fay Weldon, being interviewed by journalist Beatrix Campbell (s)
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time (new series): Fred *Downham, Dr Stefan* Buczacki and Sid Robertson answer queries from the site of the Glasgow Garden Festival
10.30 Morning Story: The Visit by *Henrietta Soames. Read by* Lesley Manville
10.45 Daily Service (s)
11.00 News; The Wednesday Feature: In Kilvert's Country. June Knox-Mawer *explores the Welsh Border* countryside where Kilvert wrote his diary (see Choice)
11.47 Enquire Within: With Dilly Barlow (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours with *John Howard*
12.25 Rumpole: Rumpole and the Show Folk. Sixth of seven plays by John Mortimer. With Maurice Denham (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 *The World at One*
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Includes an interview with pianist Diane Ambache, who formed her own chamber orchestra; the story of one woman's personal battle against arthritis; and a discussion about a campaign for deliveries and repair services to be available "out of hours"
3.00 News; Who'll Look After Little Ben. Play by Peter Schofield. With Michael Tudor Barnes, Joan Walker and Polly James (s)
3.47 Time For Verse: George MacBeth talks to poet Gavin Ewart about his life and work (s)
4.00 News
4.05 Relative Values: Michael O'Donnell explores the realities of modern life through the eyes of the *Marshall* and Kitteridge families (s) (r)
4.45 Kaleidoscope Extra: A *report on Korean rock* music (r)
5.00 PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report
6.30 *Trivia Test Match: Brian* Johnston with panellists Tim Rice, Willie Rushton, Michael Parkinson and Bill Pertwee (s) (r)
7.00 News
7.05 *The Archers*
7.20 Going to the Dogs: A look at the world of greyhound racing for owners, punters and bookies alike (r)
7.45 The Fall of the Mausoleum *Club by Ian Brown and* James Hendrie (3 of 6) (s)
8.15 The Seven Ages of Health: Georgina Ferry reports on women's health groups
8.45 Punters: An opportunity for *listeners to report on life's* injustices, problems and quirks. Today: gentlemen bikers and industrial pollution
9.25 Profile: A radio portrait in *conversation and* recollection of female industrial tycoon, Steve Shirley
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Reviews of Kingsley Amis's novel *Difficulties with Girls* (including an interview with the author); and of Maureen Lipman's play about Joyce Grenfell; the film *Pathfinder;* and a report from Germany *on the world premiere of* Peter Maxwell Davies's opera *Resurrection*
10.15 A Book At Bedtime: The Iron Staircase by Georges Simenone. Read by Struan Rodger (3 of 10) **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight: With Alexander MacLeod
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 The Old School Ties: Jenni Mills meets pupils past and present of Haslingden High School in Lancashire
12.00 News **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast
VHF as above except: **11.00am-12.00** For Schools: **11.00** Singing Together **11.20** Junior Drama Workshop **11.40** Listening and Reading **11.50** Poetry Corner **1.55-3.00pm** For Schools: **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** WPFM **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University: **11.30** Rights and Wrongs of Modern Art **11.50** The Strategic Defence Initiative **12.30-1.10** Schools Night-Time English Resources 2

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Crown Prince set to take over from Hirohito

From Joe Joseph, Tokyo

Japan appeared last night to be preparing for a new era as fears grew for the fragile health of Emperor Hirohito, the world's longest reigning monarch.

The 87-year-old ruler's condition was reported to be worrying but stable after he was given a series of blood transfusions and put on an intravenous drip feed after he began vomiting blood late on Monday night.

But as darkness fell over the Imperial Palace in Tokyo yesterday, the Government was drawing up plans to hand over all matters of state to Crown Prince Akihito, the monarch's 54-year-old heir, and had quietly begun the process of selecting the era name which traditionally brands the reign of a new Japanese emperor.

Mr Noboru Takeshita, the Prime Minister, led a series of Japanese dignatories, relatives and ambassadors who visited the palace throughout the day.

As their cars passed through the imposing gates hundreds of men and women, mostly elderly, stood silently in driving rain outside the Imperial Palace walls praying for their Emperor's health.

Many had stayed by their televisions throughout the night or pored over the special editions brought out by Japanese newspapers.

Those who could not attend sent their wishes by other means. A van full of telegrams drove into the palace yesterday afternoon. At shrines throughout the country Shinto priests, who until Japan's defeat in the Second World War revered the Emperor as a living god, held special prayers for his health. In Tokyo's shopping district of Ginza, pedestrians read the latest medical bulletin from an electronic board.

Crown Prince Akihito and his wife, Princess Michiko, paid several visits to the Emperor's bedside through the day. The Emperor, who has never fully recovered from the effects of an illness which required him to have an intestinal bypass operation last September, is said to have thanked the relatives who visited him with "a strong voice".

But doctors last night described the monarch's condition as "requiring extreme care". Although there were signs that his condition had stabilized as a result of the

Aloof Crown Prince.....9

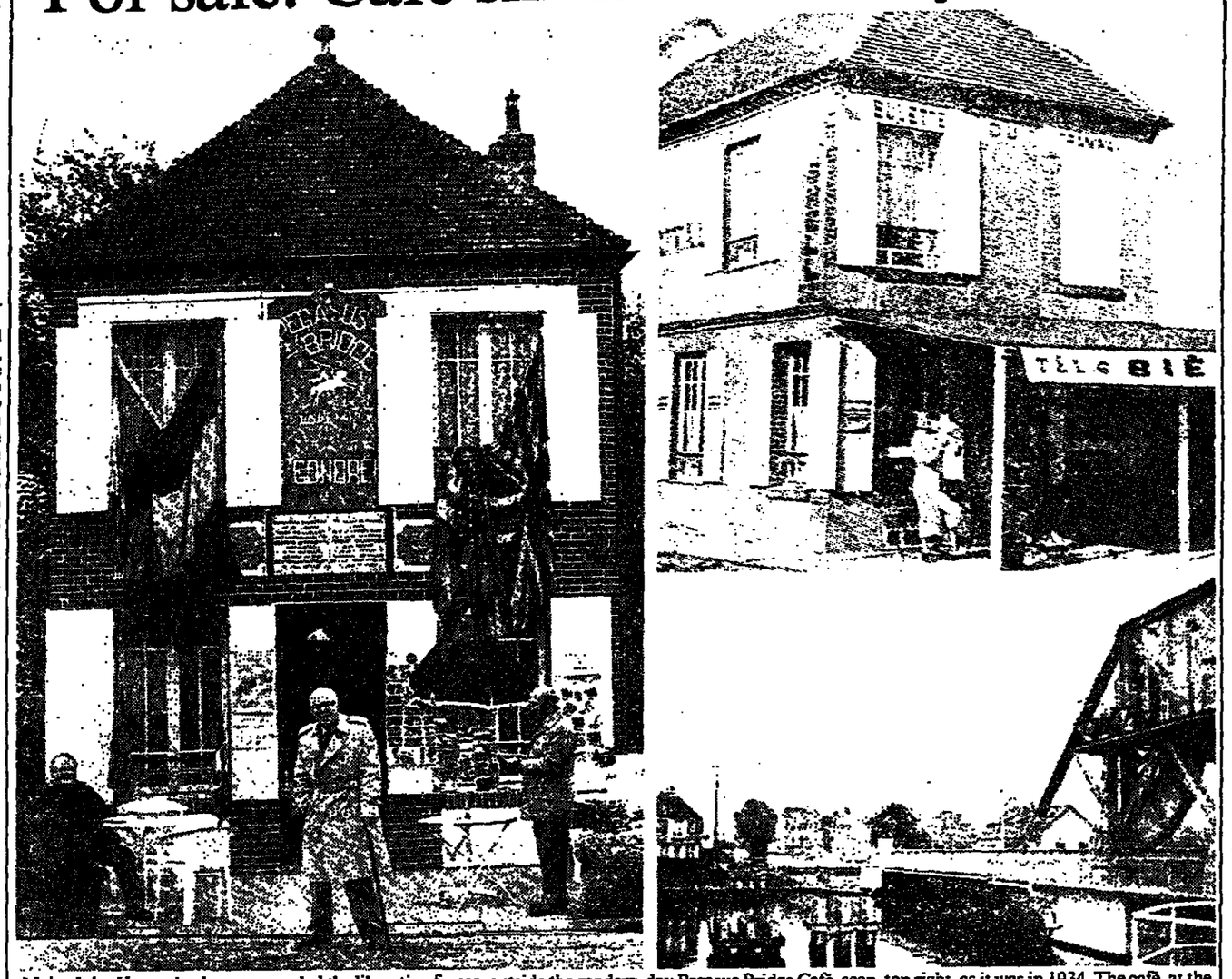
emergency treatment, Mr Iwao Miyao, Vice Grand Steward of the Imperial Household Agency, said it was difficult to judge whether the Emperor was making any progress after receiving the blood transfusions.

It is still unclear what triggered the Emperor's setback, but it is believed that it was caused by a haemorrhaging in the duodenum and lower respiratory tract. Symptoms of jaundice which accompanied the fever that has gripped the Emperor since Saturday continue. But officials say they have no plans to move him into hospital or to operate, although court physicians will stay in attendance.

Government sources confided that the Cabinet will decide formally tomorrow to ask Crown Prince Akihito to act on behalf of his father on all matters of state.

So much has changed since the Emperor came to power that it is still unclear what procedures of protocol will be followed upon his death.

For sale: Café shrine of D-Day heroes



Major John Howard, who commanded the liberating forces, outside the modern-day Pegasus Bridge Café, seen, top right, as it was in 1934. The café, at the far left of the lower right photograph, stands beside a bridge in Benouville. Two canal bridges there were secured by the invading Allied Forces in 1944.

By Craig Seton

Forty-four years on, D-Day veterans are helping to fight a last-ditch battle to save a French café that has become a shrine to the Normandy landings.

The Pegasus Bridge Café, the first house in France liberated by invading Allied Forces in June 1944, goes under the auctioneer's hammer on Friday in a sale which threatens to sever its links with the Gondrée family, who have owned it for more than 50 years.

The Gondrées are known to thousands of D-Day veterans who have made emotional pilgrimages to the village of Benouville, near Caen, in Normandy over the years. Every year since 1944 members of the family have greeted veterans who returned.

In June 1944, M Georges Gondrée and his wife Thérèse turned their café into a First Aid post and helped treat British wounded. Their dining table was used for operations. They even shared with the wounded 99 bottles of champagne hidden in the garden.

When M Gondrée died in the 1960s, his wife continued to run the café. On the fortieth anniversary of D-Day, she was introduced to the Prince of Wales, the Colonel in Chief of the Parachute Regiment, who went to Normandy with thousands of veterans for the celebrations. But she died only days later. The café's lease has expired and a complicated legal dispute between the three Gondrée daughters, Georgette, Arlette and Françoise, who were left the property, has meant that it must be sold.

The sale will go ahead in a solicitor's office in Caen on Friday. At least half a dozen D-Day veterans will be there, hoping for a last-minute miracle that will enable Arlette and Georgette to buy back the cafe.

Arlette, four at the time of D-Day, is now Mrs Arlette Goudrée Pritchett, the wife of a Birmingham solicitor. She leaves for Caen today hoping that somehow D-Day veterans and organizations will find a way of preserving the family café.

"Time is running out," she told *The Times* yesterday. "The Pegasus Bridge Café is not just a part of French history, but a part of British history."

Mrs Pritchett said that scores of D-Day veterans, particularly members of the 6th Airborne Division, which liberated that sector, had written and telephoned with support. But she said that the Airborne Assault Normandy Trust had refused to support her.

She said that even now she was seeking backers to help her and her sister to buy it back. They had a sum of money to make a bid. The café is being sold together with a D-Day museum next door. A reserve price of about £28,000 has been fixed, but it is expected to sell for more.

Although the café was left to all three sisters, Françoise had won court permission to offer it for sale and had refused to sell it to Arlette and Georgette. The French Government has made the café a historic monument and there is a chance that it will be bought by the state.

Named Pegasus after the symbol of the 6th Airborne Division, the café was liberated at 11.55 pm on June 5, the day before D-Day, by men of the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry who landed in gliders. They were under the command of Major John Howard, now 75, of Guildford. He told *The Times* yesterday: "I have been back almost every year. This year it was closed for the first time on the anniversary. It was one of the saddest moments the veterans have had."

Move to hit flow of cash to IRA

Continued from page 1

reach funds which were intended for use in terrorism, not which had been used.

Mr Hurd will be seeking reciprocal arrangements with other countries as is happening with drugs, to act against assets held internationally.

He said that organizations which ran continuous campaigns of terror needed big money.

Mr Hurd said the mainstay of their finance — and that of Loyalist paramilitary organizations — was large-scale, Mafia-style racketeering. Although much of that involved crude violence and extortion, there was an increasing element of superficially legitimate money-making.

Besides the control and exploitation of registered social clubs, there was a worrying growth of involvement in businesses such as pubs, hotels, estate agents, video clubs and taxis.

The defeat of Northern Irish terrorism required the defeat of racketeering, Mr Hurd said.

Ministers also knew of attempts made by other international terrorist organizations to use the UK as a home for amassing, laundering and banking their funds. It was believed that, on occasions, many millions of pounds had been deposited in bank accounts which would ultimately be used to fund acts of terrorism either in this country or abroad.

The time had come for firm action to throttle of the flow of cash to terrorist organizations.

Mr Hurd said at a press conference afterwards that when an attempt was made in 1981 to blow up the Bahrain Embassy a Shia terrorist organization was discovered to be holding hundreds of thousands of pounds and a lot of dollars in a British bank for use by its members.

Details given yesterday by Mr Hurd in his speech show that the Government plans to outlaw the handling, moving about and holding of money and property that is to be used for terrorist purposes, even if that was going on in an otherwise "legitimate" business. Ministers intend the definition of "terrorist purposes" will be drawn wide enough to catch anyone connected with them.

The new legislation will ensure that banks and others will not be restricted by any contractual obligations from passing on to the police any suspicion about the terrorist origin or destination of money and property.

When any person is convicted of one of the new offences, the courts will have the powers to confiscate any property or money that he has handled and is intended for use in terrorist acts or in connection with terrorism.

The Bill will enable courts to freeze any dealings in the property liable to be forfeited from the time that the person is charged.

Alton revives SDP row with Ashdown

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Mr David Alton, the Social and Liberal Democrat MP, last night reopened his dispute with Mr Paddy Ashdown over whether the party should co-operate with Dr David Owen's SDP.

As the SDP ended its conference in Torquay, Mr Alton, who is declining a front-bench post under Mr Ashdown, said that if the two parties went on fighting the SLD would succeed in pounding the SDP into the ground, but "would not win."

Interviewed on the BBC television programme *Newsnight*, Mr Alton said that if the parties fought each other the only beneficiary would be Mrs Thatcher.

His remarks came after Mr John Cartwright, the SDP president, sent a defiant "we are here to stay message" to the SLD.

"Stop slagging us off . . . there ain't no votes in it. The politics of self-interest dicate that we co-operate."

Mr Ashdown has dismissed Dr Owen's call for inter-party co-operation, saying it amounted to desperation. Dr Owen said the conference showed that the SDP was back.

Mr Alton said Mr Ashdown was entitled as the new leader to set out his objectives, but he should allow a "tolerant debate" about the strategy which the party should develop.

Conference reports, page 4

Thatcher on 'Europe folly'

Continued from page 1

means action to free markets, to widen choice, to reduce government intervention. Our aim should not be more and more detailed regulation from the centre. It should be to deregulate and to remove the constraints on trade."

She dismissed as an irrelevance moves towards the setting up of a European central bank, a proposal currently being examined by the Commission, and said that instead Europe should be following Britain's lead in allowing free movement of money across borders.

In particular she wanted the Community to implement free movement of capital, abolish exchange controls, establish a free market in financial services and to make greater use of the ecu, the European unit of currency.

Once that had been done Europe would be in a better position to judge the next moves in a direct repost to M Delors, who was given a standing ovation by the TUC earlier this month for advocating a common approach to workers rights

The Prime Minister said new regulations raising the cost of employment and making Europe's labour market less flexible and less competitive were not needed.

Mrs Thatcher had an equally robust message on defence saying that Europe had to shoulder a growing share of the burden of Western security. The Americans would increasingly look to Europe to play a part in defending Western interests across the globe, and not merely in the continental and Atlantic theatre.

Mandarin's defence of Civil Service tradition

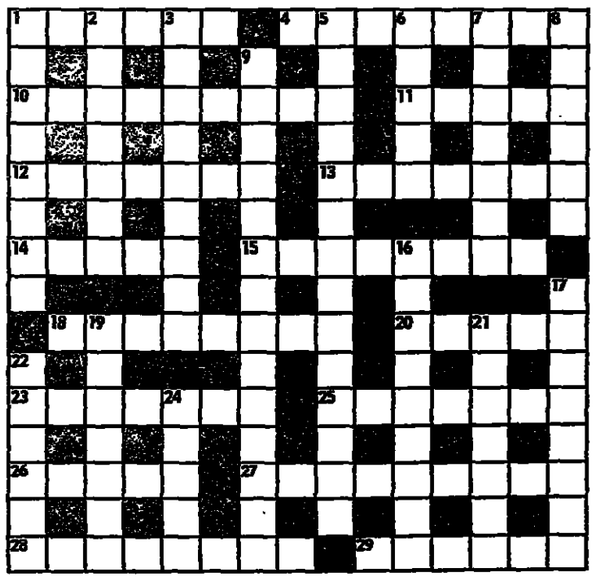
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Servants meant that they did not always feel as strongly defended by their top managers as they would wish.

Proposals in Sir Robin Ibbs' report, *The Next Steps*, devolving power to the regions meant that management would now be the responsibilty of everyone. "We are all managers now," said Sir Robin Butler.

A theme of Civil Service management is to give local managers more discretion and Sir Robin said people would be doing a disservice to many thousands of Civil Service managers if they focused attention exclusively on the Permanent Secretary and the few people close to Ministers. "In adopting this new approach the Government has recognised that the Civil Service may be too big and too monolithic to provide the service which Government and the public want; and that more emphasis requires to be placed on the individual job."

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,780



ACROSS

1 Please take, so to speak, French abstracts (6).
4 Deceives? It could look like double-cross (3-5).
10 Military command executed 4 to restore position (5,4).
11 One employed in club as soloist? (5).
12 Weapon a copper was impressed with (7).
13 One of these batsmen is removing cap (7).
14 Fit for nothing, is unable to start (5).
15 Lear's old man in a tree was part of his (8).
18 Altered, perhaps, about one stone (8).
20 Quarter from which *omnibus* came (5).
23 Girl harboured in Sicily (7).
25 Secrecy as the last resort (7).
26 Meeting, it's said, gets a full house (5).
27 Fool heads off Italian and French author (9).
28 Pack one's share of it for sailor (4-4).
29 Port after duck is by no means rare (6).

DOWN

1 What doctor has to do when in charge (8).
2 Gradual reduction, or is one mistaken? (7).
3 Where stock may be put with some difficulty (2,3,4).
5 It shows what's in store for the man in the street (6-8).
6 List of numbers put on board (5).
7 Passion? Maiden is first to go wrong (7).
8 Southern Irish lake or wet area (6).
9 Breeding displayed in 46, for example (14).
16 The way to Samarkand — not a flower in sight (9).
17 So fast it's not pursued, we hear (8).
19 Virtuous, like Disraeli's side? (7).
21 Man put up, in fashion, as supporter (7).
22 Got ready for female no gentleman embraces (6).
24 Hanging South American native for sin (5).

Concise crossword, page 22

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by ten per cent of the competitors at the 1988 London B regional final of The Times Collins Dictionaries Crossword Championship.

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the *possible definitions is correct?*

By Philip Howard

JACTATION
a. Boasting
b. Throwing
c. Mule's lactation

PACHINKO
a. A Chinese half-caste
b. A Japanese pin-ball game
c. Sumatran currency

GRANDMA
a. A slate at mah-jong
b. The President of the GSA
c. The lowest gear

LEVIRATE
a. Relating to a brother-in-law
b. A Jewish religious tax
c. The Israeli sprinting record

Answers on page 22, column 1

Solution to Puzzle No 17,779

U	N	B	O	S	O	M		A	R	A	M	A	I	C
N		A		C		I		S		N		L		O
J	I	N	G	O	I	S	T	S		G	A	M	I	N
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A	M	A	T	I		P	R	O	F	I	T	E	E	R
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WEATHER

Much of England and Wales will be dry apart from showers in the north later. In central and southern parts of England and Wales, it will start misty with fog patches. These will clear slowly and most places will eventually have some sunshine. In northern England and Wales, it will stay cloudy. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have outbreaks of rain with clearer spells with some showers in western parts later. Outlook: outbreaks of rain, then sunny intervals.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	25	77	f	Luxor	41	106	s
Akrotiri	33	91	s	Madrid	24	75	s
Alex'dria	30	86	s	Majorca	26	79	f
Algiers	25	77	c	Malaga	24	75	s
Amst'dm	16	61	c	Malta	22	72	r
Athens	28	82	s	Mell'rne	13	55	r
Bahrain	35	95	s	Mexico C*	21	70	s
Barbads*	29	84	f	Miami*	30	86	c
Belgrade	20	68	f	Moscow	10	50	c
Berlin	15	59	c	Munich	13	55	c
Bermuda*	28	82	f	Nairobi	25	77	c
Biarritz	19	66	s	Naples	20	68	r
Bord'x	24	75	s	N Delhi	30	86	f
Brussels	14	57	c	N York*	29	84	s
Budapst	17	63	c	Nice	23	73	s
B Aires*	23	73	s	Oslo	20	68	f
Cairo	38	100	s	Paris	18	64	f
C'blanca	23	73	s	Perth	16	61	d
Chicago*	24	75	r	Prague	13	55	c
Ch'church	24	75	s	Reykjvk	7	45	s
Cologne	16	61	c	Rhodes	27	81	s
C'stown	18	61	c	Rio de J	22	72	f
Dublin	15	59	c	Rome	22	72	f
Dubrovnik	23	73	s	Salzburg	15	59	c
Faro	25	77	s	S Frisco*	19	66	s
Florence	21	70	c	S Paulo*	20	68	c
Frankfurt	17	63	s	Seoul	26	79	s
Funchal	24	75	s	Sing'pre	31	88	f
Geneva	16	61	c	Strasb'rg	16	61	c
Gibraltar	24	75	f	Sydney	18	61	s
Helsinki	17	63	f	Tangier	27	81	s
Hong K	32	90	s	Tel aviv	33	91	s
Innsbruck	19	66	s	Tenerife	25	77	s
Istanbul	25	77	c	Tokyo	25	77	r
Jeddah	42	108	s	Tunis	24	75	s
Karachi	36	97	f	Venice	21	70	f
L Palmas	24	75	c	Vienna	15	59	c
L Tenet	24	75	c	Warsaw	14	57	c
Lisbon	23	73	s	Wash'ton*	28	82	f
Locarno	21	70	s	Wellton	13	55	d
L Angels*	18	64	c	Zurich	14	57	c

* Denotes Monday's figures latest available

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	9.23	5.4	10.22	5.6
Aberdeen	10.04	3.4	10.19	3.5
Avonmouth	2.28	8.3	3.26	9.5
Belfast	7.31	2.8	7.55	3.0
Cardiff	2.13	8.6	3.11	9.0
Devonport	1.22	4.2	2.05	4.4
Dover	7.07	5.1	8.10	5.2
Falmouth	12.52	4.0	1.36	4.2
Glasgow	8.15	4.1	9.00	4.1
Harwich	7.21	3.1	8.19	3.2
Holyhead	6.56	4.3	7.29	4.6
Hull	1.56	5.5	3.19	5.7
Ilfracombe	1.43	6.6	2.42	6.9
Leith	11.21	4.4	11.44	4.5
Liverpool	7.29	7.1	8.12	7.5
Lowestoft	5.20	2.0	6.28	2.1
Margate	7.53	3.8	8.51	3.9
Milford Haven	1.59	5.0	2.55	5.3
Newquay	12.59	5.1	1.54	5.4
Oban	2.48	2.7	3.33	3.1
Penzance	12.41	4.2	1.22	4.4
Portland	2.33	1.3	3.15	1.6
Portsmouth	7.46	3.6	8.16	3.7
Shoreham	7.23	4.8	8.05	4.9
Southampton	7.41	3.6	7.59	3.7
Swansea	2.06	7.0	3.02	7.3
Tees	—	—	12.39	4.3
Wilton-on-Nze	7.18	3.3	8.20	3.4

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft. These are BST

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	10.7	-	16	61	sunny
Bridlington	10.3	-	18	64	sunny
Cromer	10.0	-	15	59	sunny
Lowestoft	8.7	-	19	66	sunny
Clacton	7.1	-	18	64	sunny
Southend	6.2	-	18	64	sunny
Folkestone	9.5	-	17	63	sunny
Hastings	9.8	-	17	63	sunny
Brighton	10.1	-	17	63	sunny
Worthing	9.7	-	17	63	sunny
Littlehmpte	9.6	-	18	64	sunny
Bognor R	9.9	-	18	64	sunny
Southsea	9.9	-	19	66	sunny
Bournemth	9.7	-	19	66	sunny
Poole	9.8	-	20	68	sunny
Swanage	10.2	-	17	63	sunny
Weymouth	9.7	-	19	66	sunny
Exmouth	8.3	-	17	63	sunny
Teignmouth	8.0	-	17	63	sunny
Torquay	8.8	-	18	64	sunny
Falmouth	9.1	-	17	63	sunny
Scilly Isles	1.3	-	16	61	bright
Newquay	6.4	-	18	64	sunny
Minehead	0.5	-	14	57	dull
Morecambe	-	-	14	57	dull
Douglas	-	-	12	54	cloudy
Buxton	1.8	-	13	55	cloudy
Carlisle	-	-	15	59	cloudy
Leeds	6.4	-	16	61	bright
Nottingham	7.5	-	17	63	sunny
Anglesey	-	-	13	55	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	0.2	-	14	57	cloudy
Tenby	8.5	-	15	59	sunny
Aberdeen	10.7	-	21	70	sunny
Eskdalemuir	-	-	14	57	cloudy
Lerwick	0.5	.08	13	55	drizzle
Prestwick	0.3	-	15	59	cloudy
Stornoway	0.3	-	16	61	cloudy
Tiree	-	.04	17	63	cloudy
Wick	3.4	-	17	63	bright

These are Monday's figures

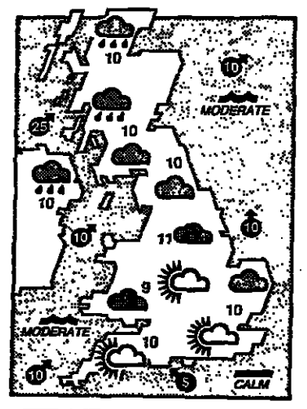
THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.23	2.11
Austria Sch	23.00	21.90
Belgium Fr	69.15	65.65
Canada $	2.135	2.025
Denmark Kr	12.48	11.88
Finland Mkk	7.75	7.35
France Fr	11.08	10.53
Germany Dm	3.28	3.10
Greece Dr	262.00	247.00
Hong Kong $	13.50	12.85
Ireland Pt	1.212	1.152
Italy Lire	2440.00	2310.00
Japan Yen	237.50	224.50
Netherlands Gld	3.685	3.485
Norway Kr	12.02	11.42
Portugal Esc	268.00	254.00
South Africa Rd	4.55	4.05
Spain Pta	216.75	205.75
Sweden Kr	11.25	10.65
Switzerland Fr	2.757	2.617
USA $	1.765	1.675
Yugoslavia Dnr	5525.00	4725.00

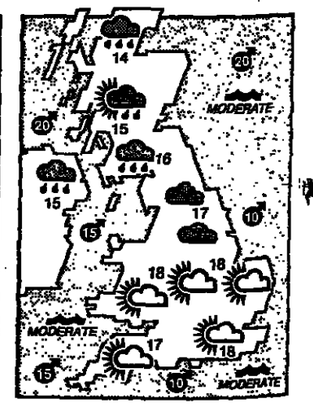
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Retail Price Index: 107.9 (August)

AM



PM



LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 15C (59F); min 6pm to 6am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6pm, 81 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 0.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1025.3 millibars, falling (1,000 millibars=29.53in).

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 13C (56F); min 6pm to 6am, 11C (52F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, nil.

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 7.31 pm to 6.17 am
Bristol 7.41 pm to 6.27 am
Edinburgh 7.44 pm to 6.28 am
Manchester 7.40 pm to 6.25 am
Penzance 7.52 pm to 6.39 am

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Monday: Highest day temp: Aberdeen, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Douglas, Isle, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Lerwick, Shetland, 0.08in; highest sunshine: Aberdeen, Scarborough, 10.7hr.

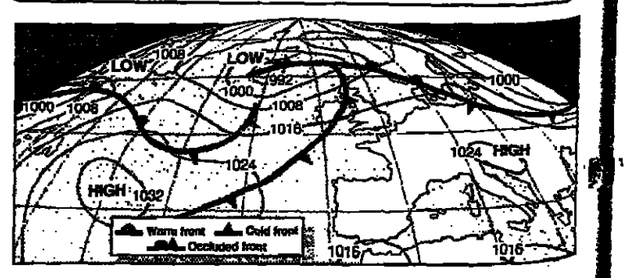
YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	12	54	c	Guernsey	16	61	f
B'mingham	13	55	c	Inverness	15	59	c
Blackpool	13	55	c	Jersey	19	66	s
Bristol	14	57	c	London	14	57	c
Cardiff	14	57	c	M'chester	12	54	c
Edinburgh	14	57	c	Newcastle	13	55	c
Glasgow	14	57	c	R'nkleway	13	55	c

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FT 30 Share 1429.9 (+11.3)	US dollar 1.6850 (+0.0075)
FT-SE 100 1772.1 (+12.2)	W German mark 3.1425 (+0.0073)
USM (Datastream) 159.98 (+0.33)	Trade-weighted 75.6 (+0.3)

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Executive Editor
David Brewerton

Oceana in £3.7m purchase

Oceana Consolidated, the financial services group, is paying £3.7 million for Charles Stanley Services, the stockbroker which specializes in private client business.

The full acquisition price will depend on the performance of Charles Stanley during the period to March 31, 1990, but will be financed by the issue of new shares in Oceana with an initial down payment of 396,825 shares at 63p each. Charles Stanley's biggest shareholder is Mr David Howard, who is also a leading shareholder in Oceana.

Mr Howard says the acquisition will complement Oceana's exisiting activities which include corporate finance, investment management, stockbroking, and pension scheme services.

Bank up 220%

Singer & Friedlander, the merchant bank, announced a 220 per cent increase in pre-tax profits from £2.8 million to £9 million for the six months to June 30.

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Blagden buy

Blagden Industries, the steel drums manufacturer, is buying Rumford Consultants, a maker of eye protection equipment, with a down payment of £1 million followed by another £1 million depending on profits.

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 2087.66 (+6.58)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Average 27548.58 (–352.42)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 2423.23 (–24.35)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 268.7 (–0.5)
Sydney: AO ..... 1545.6 (+5.4)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 1558.7 (–6.5)
Brussels:
General ..... 5210.7 (+60.7)
Paris: CAC ..... 364.7 (–1.9)
Zurich: SKA Gen ..... 469.8 (–1.7)
London:
FT.—A All-Share ..... 918.57 (+5.98)
FT.—"500" ..... 1001.90 (+5.9)
FT. Gold Mines ..... 168.1 (+3.7)
FT. Fixed interest ..... 95.67 (+0.05)
FT. Govt Secs ..... 87.07 (+0.57)

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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:
Crest Nicholson ..... 209½p (+13p)
Metal Box ..... 228p (+13p)
Britannic ..... 345½p (+13p)
Refuge ..... 436½p (+22p)
Securiguard ..... 215p (+12p)
Boddington ..... 150p (+12p)
Schroders ..... 925p (+31p)
Standard Chart ..... 540p (+15p)
Hall Engineering ..... 360p (+10p)
Laporte ..... 410½p (+12p)
Trade Indemnity ..... 562½p (+10p)
Lonrho ..... 290p (+21p)
FALLS:
Courts Furn'A' ..... 221p (–43p)
G Oliver ..... 485p (–10p)
Pearson ..... 716p (–19p)
Kleen-E-Ze ..... 500p (–20p)
Brown Shipley ..... 340p (–10p)
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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 12%
3-month interbank 12⅛-12⅛
3-month eligible bills: $11^{27}/_{32}$-11⅛% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 10%
Federal Funds $7^{15}/_{16}$%*
3-month Treasury Bills 7.21-7.20%*
30-year bonds $100^{21}/_{32}$-$100^{23}/_{32}$*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6850	£: $1.6862*
£: DM3.1425	$: DM1.8642*
£: SwFr2.6522	$: SwFr1.5735*
£: FFr10.6846	$: FFr6.3375*
£: Yen225.71	$: Yen133.95*
£: Index:75.6	$: Index:99.3
ECU £0.680001	SDR £0.771294

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $410.40 pm-$410.00
close $410.00-410.50 (£243.00-243.50)
New York:
Comex $409.70-410.20*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Oct) pm $13.35bbl ($13.32)
* Denotes latest trading price

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- Market news on Stockwatch yesterday included: Rothmans B (01929) was up 14p on developments in South Africa; Clyde Petroleum (01148) fell 10p after announcing an acquisition and a rights issue; Moss Bros (01204) was 2p better as it prepared to move headquarters.
- Recent additions include Tace 03449; Waterglade 7¾ per cent conv pref 03450; Wm Sindall 5¾ per cent conv pref 03448; Thompson Clive 03447.
- Calls charged 5p for 8 seconds peak, 12 seconds off peak inc. VAT.

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Slowdown in lending eases base rate fear

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Bank lending recorded a sharp and surprising slowdown last month, raising City hopes that an increase in base rates from the present 12 per cent can be avoided.

The leading building societies, taking the view that base rates would be held at this level, announced mortgage rates of 12.75 per cent, with effect from October 1.

Bank and building society lending increased by £5.8 billion last month, against £9 billion in July, and an average of £7 billion a month over the previous six months. The City had been expecting a £7 billion to £8 billion August rise.

There is still nervousness over the August trade figures, due next Tuesday, but analysts believe that only strong downward pressure on sterling in response to these will force base rates higher.

The Bank of England and the Treasury were quick to dampen any euphoria over the figures. The Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, gave warning that the balance of payments would be slow to respond to the monetary tightening.

"I really don't think it would be sensible to place any significance on a single month's figures," he said.

Bank of England officials suggested the lending slowdown could be erratic and pointed to the behaviour of narrow money, M0. It rose by 1 per cent last month, for a 12-month rise of 7.8 per cent, compared with the Government's target range of 1 to 5 per cent.

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Soon after the money supply figures were published, the Halifax Building Society raised its mortgage rate from 11.5 to 12.75 per cent from October 1, in a move which indicated the society did not expect base rates to rise again in the short term.

The Nationwide, Abbey National and National Provincial building societies, and the National Westminster Bank followed suit. The new rates will undercut the levels of 13 per cent announced by Barclays and 13.2 per cent by the Midland Bank this month.

However, cheap finance is still available to borrowers. Citibank Savings said it was capping its mortgage rate for new borrowers at 11.49 per cent until March. The Abbey National said it would continue to offer fixed rate loans of 11.3 per cent for the meantime. And the Halifax pointed out that most of its borrowers would not be affected by the increase in mortgage rates until April, when their payments are changed on an annual basis.

The sharp slowdown in bank and building society lending last month also caused some puzzlement. Figures from the Committee of London and Scottish bankers suggested that underlying bank lending last month was as strong as in July, while the building society component of lending held steady at about £2.7 billion.

This suggested that the slowdown was in lending by the non-clearing banks. Mr Robert Thomas, director of bond research at Greenwell-Montagu, said there may have been an unwinding last month of large borrowing undertaken earlier in the year to finance takeover bids.

Overall, broad money M3 rose by 0.9 per cent last month, for a 12-month increase of 20.1 per cent – down from 20.6 per cent in July. The M4 aggregate, which includes some building society deposits, rose by 1.2 per cent. Its 12-month growth rate slowed from 17.4 to 17.3 per cent.

MORTGAGE COSTS (£)

	New	Old	Increase
Monthly Repayment Mortgage			
20,000	177.48	164.55	12.93
40,000	367.60	338.46	29.14
60,000	591.23	543.63	47.60
Endowment Mortgage			
20,000	159.38	143.75	15.63
40,000	345.31	311.46	33.85
60,000	557.81	503.13	54.68

MONEY SUPPLY CHANGES (%)

	M0	M3	M4	M5
Year to August (a)	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.1
August (b)	7.8	20.1	17.3	16.5

(a) unadjusted (b) seasonally adjusted
Source: Bank of England

Exchange rates supported

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, said yesterday that the pound's exchange rate was about right at its present level.

The effects of interest rate increases would be seen at different times in different economic indicators, he said. One of the first areas affected would be housing, and one of the last the trade figures.

Commenting on better figures for bank lending yesterday, Mr Lawson said it was not sensible to place significance on one month's figures. The narrow measure of the money supply, M0, which last month continued to grow outside the target range, did not yet reflect the effect of higher interest rates.

Britain's rising inflation was largely due to rapid economic growth but had been aggravated by rising pay awards.

The Group of Seven industrial countries, which meets in Berlin on Saturday is expected to reaffirm its commitment to broad stability in exchange rates. Mr Lawson said most countries are comfortable with current exchange rates.

He said the dollar/mark exchange rate, was back within the range agreed in the Louvre accord after falling below the minimum level last year. The higher dollar/yen rate was "wholly appropriate" because of the strength of the Japanese economy.

Mr Lawson added that the good performance of the world economy was likely to continue since worries over inflation had been checked by a tightening of monetary policy in countries needing to do so.

He said that the health of the world economy was not just a matter of rapid growth, but also a surge in investment. "It is difficult to believe that this climate of confidence is unconnected with stable exchange rates," said the Chancellor.

Spring in the air with hopes of winter snow



Leaps and bounds for profits: Tom Farmer and fitters at Kwik-Fit's Old Street centre, London (Photograph: Chris Harris)

Kwik-Fit rises 22% to £9.8m

By Our City Staff

Kwik-Fit Holdings, the largest independent retailer of tyres and exhausts in Europe, yesterday reported a 22 per cent jump in pre-tax profits to £9.8 million for the six months to end-August.

But Mr Tom Farmer, the chairman, said the mild winter had cost the company around £1 million in profits as motorists delayed replacing their exhaust systems. The market as a whole fell around nine per cent. Kwik-Fit still managed to increase its share one per cent to 25 per cent.

He said there were signs that motorists were already beginning to prepare themselves for this winter. Sales of car batteries during August had set a monthly record.

Mr Farmer spelled out the ideal conditions for the company. "I would like about half an inch of snow, just enough to flatten the batteries, and not too much snow to stop people getting out in their cars."

During the first half, Kwik-Fit opened 19 new centres in Britain and four in the Netherlands.

Earnings per share go up 12 per cent to 6.96p. The interim dividend rose 25 per cent to 1.04p. On the stock market, the shares rose 5p to 111p.

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Lonrho shares leap 21p on holding by Edelman

By Michael Clark, Stock Market Correspondent

Shares of Lonrho, the international trading group headed by Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, jumped 21p to a year's high of 290p yesterday on confirmation of market speculation that a substantial stake has been built up in the company. The buyer has been revealed as Mr Asher Edelman, a New York investor.

A statement issued by Lonrho said the unusually high level of turnover in the shares since September 5 had been handled mainly by two London brokers.

The unnamed brokers, believed to be SG Warburg and Smith New Court, were acting on behalf of Hentsch et Cie, a Swiss bank based in Geneva.

Lonrho has discovered that Hentsch was, in turn, acting for Mr Edelman. He has a reputation on Wall Street as a "greenmailer," taking stakes in companies in the hope of selling them back to the potential target at a higher price, or trading them on at a profit to a would-be bidder.

Further inquiries are being made to try to discover who has been funding Mr Edelman's stake, which at the last count stood at 17 million shares – 3.79 per cent, worth £42.5 million – and the identity of their ultimate owner.

Lonrho established Mr Edelman's identity after it decided to take Hentsch to court to disenfranchise the shares and force it to reveal the identity of its client. Mr Paul Spicer, a Lonrho director, said: "We were all set. We had appointed a QC and were due to arrive at court at 2pm. But just a few minutes before the deadline, Hentsch relented and gave us the name." Mr Spicer said the corporate laws in this country had been tightened.

"The law doesn't like people buying shares in a company and then pretending they are someone else. The last person to buy shares in Lonrho under someone else's name has had them suspended for the past 18 months – and we all know who that was," he added. Lonrho has had no contact with Mr Edelman so far.

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Carter's role with VPI uncertain

By Michael Tate

The future role of Mr Don Carter at VPI, the international public relations group, is uncertain after a renegotiation of takeover terms agreed three years ago by his Carter Organisation and the then Valin Pollen group.

Under the revised terms, Mr Carter and associates will be taking payments in cash rather than shares. The price of the deal will be reduced from $114.6 million (£68 million) to $100.3 million. The City was readingthe move as a possible indication that Mr Carter will leave VPI when his contract expires in 1990.

But Mr Reg Valin, the VPI chairman, indicated that the move had been made as part of a plan to groom Mr Carter for the top job at VPI. "He is our youngest main board director. He is 41, I am 50. I can imagine him taking over."

● VPI is to sell Valin Pollen Thomas & Kleyn, of Holland, to its management for fl9 million (£5.4m).

Pearson buys US oil services firm

By Cliff Feltham

Pearson, the publishing conglomerate, is buying a US oil equipment business in a deal worth $303 million (£180.03 million). But Lord Blakenham, the chairman, denied it was a defensive acquisition because the group felt under threat of a takeover bid.

"It is not at all defensive. It is in line with our strategy," he said last night. Pearson, through its Camco oil services operation, is buying Reda of Oklahoma, the world's foremost manufacturer of electric submersible pump systems used in oil production.

But some oil analysts thought Pearson was paying a heavy price. Pre-tax profits have fallen from $61 million in 1985 to $19.8 million in 1986, when Pearson expressed an interest in the business, to just $6 million last year.

Lord Blakenham said that Reda's profit slide was a result of the downturn in activity in the oil industry, but that it is poised now for a recovery reflected in first-half earnings of $6.3 million and indications of a better second half.

"This recovery is expected to continue in 1989 leading to a negligible initial impact on Pearson's earnings per share, net of financing costs." Reda becomes the third division of Camco, joining the original gas lift and safety valve business and the drill bit activities of Reed Tool and Hycalog.

Tarmac builds to interim £125.2m

By John Bell, City Editor

Tarmac, the construction and building materials group, matched the City's best expectations with half-time profits 50 per cent higher at £125.2 million.

Reflecting the boom conditions in Britain's construction market so far this year, the group is to boost the interim dividend by 25 per cent to 2.5p per share.

Sales advanced by 31 per cent to £1.2705 billion while earnings per share soared 53 per cent to 11.0p.

Sir Eric Pountain, the chairman, said that the "remarkable" first quarter had given the group an impressive advance. "Trading continues to be very buoyant and augurs well for another record year."

Meanwhile there were fresh developments in the battle for control of Ruberoid, the building supplies company, where Tarmac emerged recently as a white knight.

Rival bidder Raine Industries forecast profits of £13.3 million, a rise of more than 250 per cent on 1987.

Mr Peter Parkin, the Raine chief executive, said that there was a strong case for Tarmac's offer, which is higher than Raine's, to be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Raine's bid has been cleared by the Office of Fair Trading, whch has yet to rule on the Tarmac bid.

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Options action keeps analysts by their telephones

ConsGold glisters at same old rumours

By Colin Campbell

Consolidated Gold Fields must by now be fed up to the back of its golden teeth at what the stock market insists are "impending developments." But yesterday the shares of the British mining finance house were once again back on centre stage and rose by 16p to touch, at one point, £10.91 in active trading.

The rumours (the usual old ones, some of which are seven years old, plus a few new ones) start with a full takeover by cash-rich Minorco, already a holder of 29 per cent and whose own June 30 year-end results issued yesterday showed it was sitting on net cash balances of $900 million (£535 million). They encompass further disposals in South Africa and a merger of its own wholly-owned gold mining interests in America with those of Newmont Mining and Newmont Gold.

The danger with ConsGold is that one can cry "wolf" once too often, but the heavy option trading is telling you something. There is an open interest amounting to 4.3 million shares in the October 1100p series, and while the world gold price is going down, the shares of ConsGold are going up.

Mining analysts were almost forced to cancel luncheon plans and call for office sandwiches in Johannesburg and London yesterday when the four quoted vehicles in the Rembrandt group were suspended. Many analysts were put on alert to stay at their desks all night as the whisper was passed from ear to ear that Minorco was holding a board meeting in Luxembourg.

Rembrandt said later that the suspension of its shares was requested before tomorrow's details of the pricing mechanism of its already-announced Swiss hive-off. But since in 1987 Rembrandt was the buyer from ConsGold of 10 per cent of Gold Fields of South Africa, its South African associate, Rembrandt was immediately thought of as the obvious – and willing – buyer of more GFSA.

But in the development of this thought, the market was conveniently forgetting two important aspects. In the initial sale to Rembrandt of 10 per cent of GFSA, the net proceeds to London were £16 a share. GFSA is now about £7.50 a share. So now is hardly the time to hold a second boot sale, especially when ConsGold is in no rush to quit a country that, whatever its politics, is recognized as the Aladdin's cave of the mining world.

Minorco's board meeting turned out to be just the results for the year ended in June, showing the $900 million net cash balances and net assets of $3 billion. But it is never likely just to sit by and watch even a 29 per cent holding trumped, let alone by anything of a minor suit.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Pensions holiday lifts Bemrose to £1.2m

A £200,000 pensions holiday has helped lift pre-tax profits at Bemrose Corporation, the security printer, from £873,000 to £1.2 million in the first half of 1988. But the benefit is more than offset by a £274,000 extraordinary write-off below the line, relating to the sale of the Wiljon offshoot and reorganization costs in the decorative products divisison. Earnings per share work out at 5.32p against 3.96p, and the interim dividend rises from 3.5p to 4p a share.

Bemrose continues to develop and enlarge its US speciality advertising operation, along with its partner Yattendon Investment Trust, and it also wants to expand its British security activities interests, which are performing well, particularly now that efficiency has improved at Derby. Heat transfer remains a problem, with results well down on last year and profit margins eroding.

Mucklow up to £7.5m

A&J Mucklow Group, the industrial property developer, lifted pre-tax profits by 25 per cent to £7.54 million in the year to end-June. Rental income was up 12.5 per cent to £8.27 million. Net asset value at 177p exceeds yesterday's share price of 166p, up 2p on the news. Earnings per share rise to 10.91p from 8.65p and the final dividend is 4.605p a share, making a total of 7.425p against last year's 5.94p.

Yule ahead at £7.6m

Yule Catto & Co, the specialist chemical producer, reported a 17.6 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £7.6 million for the six months to June 30. Turnover was up 37.6 per cent to £93.54 million. At constant exchange rates, the company estimates the underlying growth rate in pre-tax profits was 27 per cent. Earnings per share rose by 14.2 per cent to 5.0p. The interim dividend was raised from 1.25p to 1.6p.

Triton soars to £7m

A higher oil price and record production lifted pre-tax profits at Triton Europe, the oil explorer 59 per cent-owned by Triton Energy of Dallas, to £7.12 million in the year to end-May, up from just £336,000 last time.

The company produced 3.3 million barrels of oil from its French field during the year, an increase of almost 20 per cent. Triton France is the fourth largest producer in that country, turning out more than 8,000 barrels a day. Two further discoveries were made during the year in the Paris Basin and are now in production. In the British sector of the North Sea, Block 16/26, of which it has almost 4 per cent, is expected to come on stream in 1993.

Everest profit climbs 37%

Everest Frozen Foods, which joined the USM in May, lifted pre-tax profits by 37.5 per cent to £2.42 million, on turnover up 12.18 per cent to £17.77 million for the year to May 31. The company also announced the acquisition of a 1.9 acre site for £365,000 to expand its frozen food and catering distribution business, and to move the head office. Earnings per share have risen 55.86 per cent to 17.3p.

Cussins dips at half time

Cussins Property Group, the Newcastle residential and commercial developer, reported lower half-time profits of £1.118 million in the six months to end-June compared with £1.13 million last year. Turnover surged to £6.5 million against £3.6 million in 1987 and the board is confident of future prospects. Shareholders will receive an interim dividend of 3.15p a share compared with 2.18p in 1987.

Quarto at the double

The Quarto Group, the book packaging and publishing company, more than doubled interim pre-tax profits from £336,000 to £692,000 in the six months to end-June, helped by unseasonally high demand from book retailers.

Mr Laurence Orbach, the chairman, said the first half, traditionally a quiet time, had seen unprecedented orders growth, with a far larger than usual number of new titles published. The group launches a new magazine for upmarket restaurantears, *Food Arts*, in November. Mr Orbach said just over half the profits growth was organic, the balance coming from the company's continuing acquisition programme.

COMPANY BRIEFS

ELSWICK (Int)
Pre-tax: £0.923 (£0.403)m
EPS: 0.62p (0.43p)
Div: 0.15p (Nil)
Board's basic objective to achieve attractive rate of return on capital employed by stimulating organic growth. Sales up to £18.7 (£11.7)m.

ROYAL SOVEREIGN (Int)
Pre-tax: £0.788 (£0.510)m
EPS: 9.0p (11.6p)
Div: 1.2p (1.0p)
Imperial Graphic Products acquired for just over £2m, taking group into related areas with strong export content. Turnover £5.525 (£2.317)m.

CPU COMPUTERS (Int)
Pre-tax: £0.549 (£0.710)m
EPS: 2.03p (1.54p)
Div: n/a
UK sales increased to £8.219m (£4.480m). Continuing strong market conditions expected to lead to a good performance in the 2nd half.

READYMIX (Int)
Pre-tax: £0.245 (£0.156)m
EPS: 0.63p (0.41p)
Div: Nil (Nil)
Volume decline widely expected did not materialize to the extent it was predicted hence a small increase in turnover to £8.465m (£7.888m).

JOSEPH HOLT (Int)
Pre-tax: £2.090 (£1.728)m
EPS: 45.19p (37.44p)
Div: 6.0p (5.0p)
Turnover for half year to 30/6/88 up to £6.347m (£5.420m).

ZAMBIA COPPER INV (Fin)
Pre-tax: $1.164 ($1.047)m
EPS: 0.92cts (0.80cts)
Div: Nil
No dividends were declared by ZCCM, the Corporation's principal investment, who are unlikely to show an income in the foreseeable future.

Continuing Growth

Interim Results (unaudited) for the half-year ended 30th June 1988

	1988 (half year) £m	1987 (half year) £m
Turnover	87.33	82.06
Pre-tax Profits	16.83	15.80
Earnings per share	6.87p	6.34p*
Interim Dividend	1.26p	1.05p

*Restated to take account of rights issue on 28th September 1987. Interim dividend is payable on 16th December 1988 to shareholders at the close of business on 18th November 1988.

"Group pre-tax profit 19% higher despite adverse impact of exchange movements .... Order intake strong and exceeded sales by 3% .... The results for July and August are higher than for the same months of 1987 .... With the acquisition of Thermalloy, together with our existing companies Redpoint and Elbomec, we will become a world leader in thermal management products .... Viault gives us a manufacturing unit in France and Holaday Industries is an addition to our instrumentation business."

Ray Parsons, *Executive Chairman*

Bowthorpe Holdings

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Polypipe exploits surge in building

By John Bell
City Editor

Polypipe, the Yorkshire-based plastic plumbing systems group, joins the lengthening ranks of companies cashing in on the construction boom.

Pre-tax profits soared 55.6 per cent to £7.3 million in the year to end-June and shareholders are to receive a 35.5 per cent boost in total dividends.

Mr Kevin McDonald, the chairman, says that the current year has started well and he is confident about future growth.

The group's prime markets were still in renovation and refurbishment and they are expected to remain buoyant, said Mr McDonald. But the group had established a firm market position in underground drainage systems.

Sales rose 70 per cent to £45.6 million while earnings per share were 8.02p, a rise of 48.2 per cent.

Buoyant markets for drainage and plumbing products enabled increases in raw material costs to be recovered in higher selling prices without any marked effect on margins. Capital spending was up to more than £4.9 million.

Two companies based in Northern Ireland were acquired during the year. Both Hayes Pipes (Ulster) and its subsidiary Autoplas (NI) are being fully integrated on a single site. Since the year-end, Mason Pinder (Toolmakers), was acquired for a maximum payment of £3 million.

The board has proposed a final dividend of 1.4p per share compared with a 1.04p final payment last year after adjusting for the one-for-one scrip issue last November. This lifts the total payment to 2.1p per share.

Polypipe shares gained 1p to 135p on the profit news.

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Strong profits at Tarmac fail to impress the City

Tarmac's trading strengths are its stock market weaknesses. The closer it gets to its long-term objective of a 10 per cent slice of the private housing market, the less the City likes its shares.

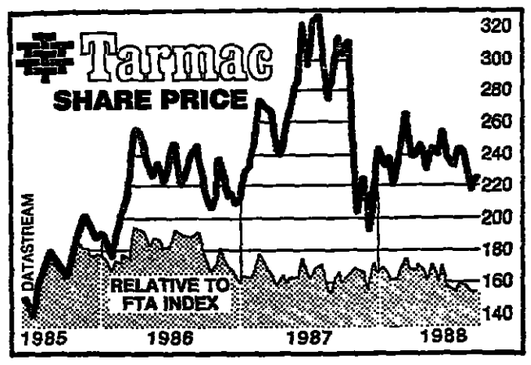
The group completed 11,300 units last year and has already overtaken Wimpey as our top housebuilder. Tarmac seems comfortably on course for 12,000 this year. The background could hardly have been more favourable. The winter was mild, house prices were rising strongly, stimulating hectic activity among home-buyers.

Tarmac completed more than 5,000 units in the first half year, a quarter more than in the first half of 1987. Average prices surged to £60,000 against £48,000. Housing is likely to have contributed proportionately more to the profits of £125.2 million than ever before, despite the lack of a divisional split in the half-time figures.

In the full year, with the group expected to make about £350 million pre-tax, housing will contribute considerably more than the 40 per cent result in 1987.

Tarmac is judged harshly for the quality of its housing profits, as well as for their size. It treats housing as an industrial operation and maintains a landbank of no more than two years. But investment managers seem to prefer those companies which are more like a geared investment in land than a conventional building operation.

Much of the rest of the business in the industrial products division, building materials and quarry products are benefiting from the most favourable market background in construction since the early 1970s.



Although Tarmac does not agree, the market's perception is that the group may be vulnerable to a cyclical downturn. Hence the prospective p/e rating of a mere 7.3 times, a hefty discount to the market and its sector. Experience suggests the futility of arguing against the herd in the short term. But the long-term value in the shares is undeniable.

Singer & Friedlander

The important point about Singer & Friedlander's 220 per cent jump from £2.8 million to £9 million in interim pre-tax profits is that nothing has changed, even though the reverse takeover of Gilbert House last year has led to some accounting complications and swelled the apparent result considerably.

The underlying performance, however, was also satisfactory and emphasizes Singer's policy of solidity and security. Profits of the old Singer companies — the core of the newly constituted group — were up £500,000 to £6.9 million.

The banking side is proving a stable base, providing much of the profit along with the Third World debt swap operation.

In two areas, corporate finance and investment management, it is storing up profits for the future. It is building up its client base in both areas from the fallout at other City firms. In the short term these areas are breaking even and should become nice little earners if and when the market turns up.

In the meantime, Singer's old policy of sound asset backing, partly through its property holdings, remains in place. It has roughly doubled its pre-tax profit from property but these remain at only £1.9 million for the first half, £1 million of which came from Centrovincial which has now been sold.

The sale has given Singer a handy cash pile of some £67 million to invest at leisure. Some will go towards building the private client business. Singer has also said it would be interested in buying Guinness Mahon — though this would probably not do any good to its share price — but no big acquisition looks likely for the time being.

On probable pre-tax profits of about £18 million for the full year, Singer is on an unexciting prospective p/e of just over 12.

Kwik-Fit Holdings

Kwik-Fit Holdings saw £1 million of profits disappear last winter as mild weather enabled motorists to delay purchases of replacement exhausts, batteries and tyres. So it was no mean achievement yesterday to unveil pre-tax profits for the first half of the year 22 per cent higher at £9.8 million.

Kwik-Fit claims to have ridden out the setback better than most of its competitors and actually pushed up its own market share by about 1 per cent against a drop of 9 per cent in overall demand for exhausts. It has been adding new services such as brakes and returnable children's safety seats

There is an aggressive expansion programme underway to boost the number of outlets in Britain and Europe from about 450 now to about 1,150 within the next five years. Last year's £35 million rights issue is helping to pay for the growth plans and the company should be able to cope

Judging from record sales of batteries in August, last winter's deferred purchases are making an appearance. With £21 million pre-tax likely for the current year, the shares, at 112p, are on a prospective p/e ratio of 8.9. At this level they are solid value but should not be chased too far.

Brierley ordered to lodge bond of Aus$1m

From Richard Battley
Sydney

Companies belonging to Sir Ron Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur, have been told to lodge an Aus$1 million (£470,000) bank bond with the Court's Registrar to cover possible fines for alleged breaches of takeover laws.

Mr Justice Dowsett said in the Queensland Supreme Court, Brisbane, yesterday that the bond would allow the release of a 20.5 per cent stake in Kern Corporation, the Queensland property group.

The stake was part of a 34.5 per cent holding in Kern that was lodged with the National Companies and Securities Commission, Australia's corporate watchdog, last week. This prevents its sale.

The share-lodging followed an injunction last week after Kern alleged that the acquisition of the 34.5 per cent holding by overseas companies linked to Sir Ron had broken the Australian Companies code.

Mr Justice Dowsett said Sir Ron's Brierley Investments Limited and associated companies should post the bond as Kern was not prepared to accept assurances that the 14 per cent remainder of the shares would not be sold. "The court could not be chasing people in New Zealand to punish for contempt," he said.

Mr Richard Cooper, QC, advocate for Kern, said a further sale could lead to another complicated paper trail which would be difficult to unravel. He told the court there was a suggestion of conspiracy in the share purchases and a Supreme Court full hearing was "needed to clear the air."

The representative for the Brierley offshore companies said no common link had been established between the share purchases in Kern.

A further hearing has been set for October 10.

STOCK MARKET

Scottish & Newcastle 'chase by Elders' set to lift drinks sector

Interest in the drinks sector looks poised to pick up considerably if market talk that Mr John Elliott's Elders IXL has increased its stake in Scottish & Newcastle Breweries to 10 per cent proves correct.

S&N price recovered a further 5p to 340p on a modest turnover of about 600,000 shares and dealers are convinced that Mr Elliott has been busy taking advantage of the recent depressed share price, by adding to his shareholding which stood at 9.3 per cent at the last count.

S&N's share price fell sharply from the 380p level to 325p when Goodman Fielder Watties' bid for RHM was referred to the Monopolies Commission as speculators took the view that a bid for S&N from Elders would suffer the same fate.

However, Mr Elliott who had a merger proposal firmly rejected by Sir David Nickson, S&N's chairman, earlier this summer, is said to be even more determined to keep up the pressure on S&N and ready to reveal an increased shareholding, prior to launching a hostile offer.

Elsewhere, the equities closed near their best levels of the day following the better-than-expected money supply statistics and the firm opening to trading on Wall Street.

The FT-SE 100 share index closed 12.2 points higher at 1,772.1, while the narrower FT 30 share index ended 11.3 points up at 1,429.9.

Gilts improved £½ as dearer money worries receded.

The sudden suspension of shares in Rembrandt, the secretive South African group headed by South African millionaire, Dr Anton Rupert, on the Johannesburg stock exchange, sparked off a flurry of speculative interest in Rothmans International, the tobacco group, which closed 14p higher at 423p, after 430p, following a turnover of about 2 million shares.

Rembrandt holds a third of Rothmans' equity — 43 per cent of the votes — and talk quickly reverberated around the market that it was about to sell its stake or possibly buy the 32 per cent stake held by rival US tobacco group, Philip Morris.

However, the shares boiled over when it became apparent that the suspension was nothing more sinister than a requirement for the company to reveal details of the pricing mechanism of its Swiss spin-off.

Consolidated Gold Fields, the mining group, also got caught up in the Rembrandt imbroglio as buyers chased the shares a further 5p higher to £10.80, after £10.85.

ConsGold sold 10 per cent of Consolidated Goldfields South Africa to Rembrandt for the equivalent of £16 a share last year, and the story also doing the rounds was that Rembrandt would bid for the rest of CGSA leaving the way clear for Minorco, Mr Harry Oppenheimer's Bermuda-based mining group, to mop up the rest of the group.

Lonrho, the international trader headed by Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, soared a further 20p to 289p, after 291p, on another sizeable turnover of 12 million shares.

Recent stakebuilding reports were confirmed by a late announcement that following inquiries made the company it has become apparent that Asher B Edelman, a New York-based arbitrage operator, has built up at least 17 million shares, or 3.79 per cent, of the company's equity.

Aitken Hume, the beleaguered financial services group, moved up 4p to 70p on talk that British & Commonwealth, Mr John Gunn's rival concern, is about to launch a bid for the company.

B&C has a near-5 per cent stake in the company and is said to have approached Aitken Hume's big shareholders — Syrian-born Mr Wafic Said and Mr Lee Ming Tee, the Malaysian entrepreneur — to negotiate a deal for their stakes.

This is not expected to be easy because the two acquired their shares in the company at prices in excess of 150p a share. Mr Gunn apparently has insisted he would not be prepared to offer much more than the current price.

The prospect of a British group opening a Bloomingdale's department store in London left the retail sector unmoved. Mr Robert Campeau, the Canadian owner of Federated, Bloomingdale's parent, said at the weekend that he had been approached by an unnamed group who offered to pay all costs but allow Campeau to retain majority ownership of the outlet.

Of the possible listed candidates, **Burton Group**, which could use one of its West End Debenhams sites or even the Harvey Nichols flagship for the venture, gained 2p to 196p. **Marks and Spencer**, which already has a tie-up through food retailing with Campeau but is regarded as an unlikely candidate while it digests Brooks Brothers, added 3p to 160p. **Sears** fell 3p to 129½p as dealers reckoned the Selfridges group lacked an available central London site.

Storehouse, the British Home Stores to Habitat Mothercare, Heals and Richards retailing group headed by Sir Terence Conran, returned to favour, closing 4p up at 188p as more than 1.5 million shares changed hands.

Geoffrey Foster

Triplex Lloyd, the West Midlands engineering, building components and services group, improved 2p to 181p. Robert Fleming Securities, the broker, yesterday hosted an institutional presentation, with the company, hoping to drum up support for the shares. Meanwhile, there is also talk in the market that the group is on the verge of announcing a big acquisition.

WALL STREET

	Sep 19	Sep 16		Sep 19	Sep 16		Sep 19	Sep 16
AMR Cp	45½	45⅝	Fedders	9	9	Pennzoil	74½	74⅝
ASA	35⅞	36⅝	Fst Chicago	35	34⅝	Pepsico	37½	38
Aetna Life	51⅝	51½	Fst Int Bncp	52⅝	53⅛	Pfizer	53¼	54
Allied Signal	34⅛	34½	Fst Penn C	12⅞	12⅝	Phelps Dod	38⅝	38⅛
Allis Chim	½	½	FT Wachva	39⅝	39⅝	Philip Mor	95	95⅛
Alcoa	50¾	51⅛	Ford Motor	49⅛	50⅛	Philip Pet	18⅜	19⅛
Amax Inc	19⅝	20⅛	GAF Cp	49¼	49¼	Pillsbury	38⅞	39
AMR Hess	28	28½	GTE Cp	41⅛	41⅜	Polaroid	41¼	41⅜
Am Brands	51⅜	51⅝	Gen Cp	21	20⅝	Primerica	28⅛	28
Am Cynmd	48⅜	48⅜	Gn Dynam	50⅜	51¼	Procr Gble	79	79⅛
Am Ele Pwr	27⅝	27⅞	Gen Electric	43⅜	43⅛	Pub SE Gr	23	23¼
Amexco	29	29½	Gen Inst	27⅞	28¼	R Nabisco	54⅛	54⅜
Am Family	12⅜	12⅝	Gen Mills	50⅝	50⅝	Raytheon	70⅛	69⅝
Am Home	79	79¼	Gen Motors	74⅝	75⅛	Rynids Metl	50⅝	51¼
Am Int Grp	64⅛	64⅛	Gen Pub Ut	34⅜	34⅜	Rockwell Int	21	21⅛
Am Telph	26⅛	26	Genesco	4⅝	5	Royal Dutch	109⅛	109⅛
Amoco Cp	75⅜	75⅝	Georgia Pac	35⅝	37⅛	SFE Spsac	19⅝	19⅝
Anheuser B	31⅛	31⅛	Gillette	34⅛	35	Sara Lee	42⅝	42⅝
Arch Dan	19¼	19⅛	Goodrich	56⅝	57	Schlumb	32⅜	33
Armco Steel	10⅛	10⅝	Goodyear	57⅞	58⅛	Scott Paper	36⅝	36½
Asarco Inc	23⅛	23⅝	Gould Inc	22¾	22⅞	Seagram	55⅛	55⅝
Ashland Oil	34⅜	35⅛	Grace Co	25⅝	26	Sears Roeb	37	36⅝
Atl Richfld	80⅜	82⅛	Grt Atl Pac	42¾	43	Sec Pac	39⅜	39⅝
Avnet Prod	24⅛	24⅝	Greyhnd	33	31	Shell Trans	68	68¼
Bk Boston	27	27⅛	Grumn	21⅝	21⅞	Smith Beck	48⅜	47⅞
Bank NY	35⅝	35½	Gulf Westn	39⅜	41⅛	Sony Cp	51⅛	51½
Bankamer	16	15⅝	Heinz	44⅛	44⅞	SW Bell	39⅜	39⅝
Bkrs Tst NY	38⅞	39	Hercules	45⅛	45⅝	Squibb	64⅝	65¼
Baxter	21½	21⅝	Hewlett Pk	48⅝	49⅛	Sun Comp	57⅜	57⅞
Beth Steel	22	22⅜	Honeywell	61⅛	61⅝	TDK	72	72
Boeing	61⅜	61½	IC Ind	36⅝	36⅝	TRW Inc	43⅜	43⅜
Boise Casc	42½	43⅛	ITT Cp	48⅝	48⅝	Tektronx	330¼	332½
Borden	53⅛	53⅜	INCO	27⅞	27⅞	Tenneco	47⅞	48⅛
Brist Meyr	43⅜	43⅜	Ing Rand Wi	36⅝	36½	Texaco	45⅛	45⅝
BP	50⅛	50¼	Inland Steel	37⅞	38⅛	Tex Eastn	25⅛	25⅛
Brunswick	20	20⅛	IBM	112⅝	114⅜	Texas Inst	40½	40⅝
Burl Nth	70	69½	Int Paper	45¼	45⅝	Tex Util	28⅜	28⅝
CBS	168⅝	165⅞	Irving Bk	68	68⅜	Textron	25¼	26⅛
CMS Engy	22⅛	21⅝	Jhsn & Jhsn	84¼	84⅜	Travelers	34⅜	34⅜
CPC Int	50⅛	50¼	K Mart	30⅛	30⅝	UAL Cp	91⅛	91⅜
CSX Cp	30⅜	28⅞	Kaisertech	18⅜	18¼	USG Cp	7⅜	7⅝
Camp Soup	29⅞	30	Kerr McGee	38	38⅜	USX Cp	28	28
Can Pacific	16⅞	16⅝	Kimbrly Clrk	58	58⅛	Unilever Plc	31⅛	31⅞
Caterpillar	56¼	56½	Kraft	57⅜	58⅛	Un Carbide	22⅛	22⅝
Centri SW	30⅜	30⅜	Kroger	52⅝	51	Un Pac Cp	57⅞	57⅞
Champion	32⅜	32⅜	LTV Cp	2⅜	2⅜	Unisys Cp	32⅜	33⅛
Chase Man	29⅝	29⅞	Litton	73⅛	73	Unit Brand	17	17⅛
Chem Bank	32⅜	32	Lockheed	40	40⅛	Us West	55⅛	55⅜
Chevron	44⅜	44⅛	Lone Star	30⅛	30⅜	Utd Tech	37⅜	38⅝
Chrysler	22⅛	22⅞	Man H'nver	29⅜	29⅜	Unocal	37	37⅝
Citicorp	25⅝	25⅝	Manville	1⅞	2	Warn Lamb	73⅛	73⅜
Clark Eq	29⅜	29⅝	Mapco	54⅞	54⅝	Wells Far	65⅛	65⅝
Coca Cola	42⅜	42⅝	Marriott	29⅝	29⅝	Westg El	51⅛	51⅛
Colgate	42⅝	44⅜	Mt Merrlete	40⅞	40⅝	Weyerhsr	24⅜	25⅛
Columb Gas	34⅜	34½	Masco Cp	25⅝	25⅜	Whirlpool	25⅛	25⅛
Cmb'tn Eng	31⅝	32½	Mcdonalds	47	47⅜	Woolworth	52⅝	53
Cmwlth Ed	30⅝	31	McDonnell	64⅝	65¼	Xerox Cp	54⅞	54⅝
Cons Edis	43⅛	43⅜	Mead Cp	44	44⅛	Zenith	21⅜	21⅜
Consol Ng	37⅞	37⅞	Merck	57⅜	58⅝			
Cont Data	22⅝	22⅞	Minsta Mng	62⅞	63⅛			
Conrng Gl	38⅜	38⅞	Mobil	44	44⅛			
Crane	31⅜	31¼	Monsanto	78¼	77⅞			
Curtiss W	n.a	49⅞	Montedison	n.a	12⅜			
Data Genl	18⅝	19⅛	Morgan Jp	38	38⅝			
Deere Co	44⅝	44⅞	Motorola	43⅞	42½			
Delta Air	48	48⅛	NCR	58⅛	57⅝			
Detroit Edi	14⅝	14⅞	NL Indstrs	6⅞	7⅛			
Digital Eq	92⅝	94⅛	Nat Md Ent	21⅝	21⅝			
Disney	63	63⅜	Nat Semi	9⅛	9⅝			
Dow Chem	67⅞	67⅞	Norfolk Sth	29⅝	29⅝			
Dresser Ind	29	29⅜	NW Bancrp	35	35			
Dupont	80⅝	81	Ogdn Corp	25⅞	26			
Duke Pwr	44⅛	44⅜	Ogden Cp	28⅛	29			
East Kodak	44⅝	45	Olin Cp	46⅝	47			
Eaton Cp	77⅛	75⅝	PPG Ind	43⅝	43⅜			
Emerson El	29⅝	30	Pac Entrprs	46	45⅝			
Emery Air	5⅞	4⅞	Pac Gas El	16⅝	17			
Exxon	44⅛	45⅝	Pan Am	2⅝	2⅝			
Farah Inc	10⅛	10⅛	Pannay JC	47⅞	48⅛			

CANADIAN PRICES

Agnico Eag	13¼	13¼
Alcan Alum	36¼	36½
Algoma Stl	25.37	25.37
Can Pacific	20⅝	20⅝
Cominco	18¼	18¼
Con Bathrst	14¼	14¼
Hawk S Can	21½	21½
Hud Bay M	18¾	19
Imasco	26	26
Imperial Oil	50¾	50¾
Inco	33¼	33⅜
Royl Trstco	15⅝	15⅝
Seagram	67⅞	67⅞
Shelbo 'A'	41⅛	41⅛
Thmsn N 'A'	28⅜	28⅝
Varity Cp	3.45	3.45
WCT	16⅞	16⅞
Weston	33½	33⅝

NEW YORK

Dow edges higher in quiet trade

(Reuter) — Wall Street share prices were soft in early trading yesterday after a mixed opening. Brokers said that although the market fell on Monday in a correction from an overbought condition, few investors were ready to make significant commitments.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 5.34 to 2,086.42, after being down about two points, at one stage. The transport indicator edged up 0.75 to 882.17 and the utilities average slipped 0.06 to 179.41. Declining issues had a small lead over advancing shares. Trading was fairly quiet.

Among early active shares, Phillips Petroleum slipped ¼ to 18⅝ and General Electric was down ⅛ at 43.

● **Tokyo** — The Nikkei index plunged 352.42 points to 27,548.58. It gained 34.62 points on Monday. Share prices closed sharply weaker on reports that Emperor Hirohito was in critical condition.

● **Hong Kong** — The Hang Seng index shed 24.35 points to close at 2,423.23 while the broader-based Hong Kong index was down 17.13 to 1,597.70.

● **Frankfurt** — The Commerzbank index, calculated at midsession, was down 6.5 points to 1,558.7 as West German shares generally eased back from Monday's levels in lower turnover.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

BMSS (118p)	117
Bucknall Aust (110p)	116 –2
Builder Gp (125p)	161
Caldwell Inv	46
Christie Grp (145p)	165
Colroy (150p)	145 +2
Computer People	194
Erostin Group (165p)	181
European Colour	24½ –½
Exmoor Dual Inv	38
Heritage (95p)	148 +2
Herring Son (150p)	143
Hi-Tech Sports	143 –2
Jackson Group	110
Lincat Group (115p)	160 +2
Lowndes Queensway	74½ +½
Nat Telecom	140
Palmerston Hldgs	205 +5
Rentaminster	61
Rockfort	112
Saunderson Elec (130p)	145
Savills (125p)	120
SCRcorp	£19½
Severfield-R (80p)	92
Sonic Tape (15p)	11 –½
Steetley	324
Tamaris	58
Tams (John) (80p)	91
Thornions (125p)	127
Zurich Group	66

RIGHTS ISSUES

Charterhall N/P	5
Chemex Intl N/P	1½ –½
EBC Gp N/P	9
Ellis & Everard N/P	17½
First Tech N/P	20
Honorbilt N/P	8½
Jermyn Inv N/P	200
Lynx Tech N/P	10 –1
Thompson Clive NP	126
Ultramar N/P	37 –1½

(Issue price in brackets).

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 12	September 23	December 8	December 19

Call options were taken out on: 20/9/88 Standard Chartered, Aran Energy, Cons Gold, North Kalgurli Mines, THF, Cowan de Groot, Ambrose, Sears, WA Holdings.
Puts: FKI, Babcock, Coloroll.
Puts & Calls: Glynwed, RHM.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
Allid Lyon...	390	32	42	52	5	13	15
(*414)	420	13	25	35	17	26	30
	460	2	11	18	50	53	55
Bass...	700	62	72	83	5	13	17
(*750)	750	23	37	53	15	33	37
	800	5	16	32	53	65	67
Brit Air...	140	15	19	23	2	4½	7
(*153)	160	4	8	12	12	15	17
	180	1	3	–	30	31	–
Brit Com...	220	9	15	20	9	14	16
(*219)	240	4	9	12	27	30	32
	260	2	5	8	45	47	48
Brit Gas...	160	6½	15	18	3	5½	7¾
(*165)	180	1¾	6	7½	16	17½	19½
	200	½	2	3½	36	36	36
BP...	220	30	36	41	1	3	5¼
(*247)	240	12½	22	24½	4	6½	11
	260	2¾	12½	13¾	14½	15½	22½
Cons Gold...	950	165	200	230	16	38	45
(*1085)	1000	130	170	205	28	50	70
	1100	75	125	140	75	100	115
Courtauld...	300	8	19	26	15	22	28
(*292)	330	3	9	14	41	43	44
	360	½	4	8	71	71	71
Com Union...	330	18	35	40	2	8	12
(*339)	360	7	20	26	27	30	32
	390	4	10	16	54	54	64
C & W...	330	42	50	65	3	7	11
(*372)	360	18	30	40	9	17	23
	390	4½	17	23	28	35	40
GEC...	140	17	22	26	1½	4	5½
(*153)	160	4	9	12	8½	10	14
	180	1	3	6½	28	29	30
GKN...	300	23	33	38	3	7	13
(*316)	330	5	16	21	17	20	27
	360	1	6½	10	45	46	51
Grand Met...	420	70	–	–	2	–	–
(*485)	460	34	50	58	6	17	16
	500	12	27	35	24	30	35
Hanson...	550	1½	10	17	68	68	70
(*1013)	900	125	152	–	1	–	–
	950	79	112	123	6	17	33
	1000	40	75	90	20	33	50
	1100	5	28	41	90	92	110
Jaguar...	240	9	22	27	6	12	20
(*242)	280	3	12	16	21	26	32
	300	1¼	5½	11	40	40	46
Land Sec...	500	50	63	75	1	6	14
(*544)	550	15	32	43	18	27	33
	600	3	13	22	60	63	65
M & S...	140	23	28	31	1	2½	4
(*160)	160	6	13	17	6	9	10
	180	1½	5	9	21	22	24
R-Royce...	120	6½	13	17	3	5½	7
(*128)	130	3	8	12	7½	10½	13
	140	1½	4½	8	17	18	19
STC...	240	27	36	41	3	6	10
(*254)	260	13	23	28	9	13	17
	280	5½	12	18	21	25	26
Sainsbury...	200	8	14	19	5	8	11
(*201)	220	1½	6	10	21	22	23
	240	1	3	–	41	41	–
	260	½	1	–	61	61	–
Shell...	950	50	83	103	12	23	42
(*961)	1000	20	52	70	35	45	70
	1100	2½	16	30	125	125	140
Storehse...	180	18	25	31	6	11	14
(*188)	200	8	16	21	12	18	22
	220	2½

Rights issue to fund £138m Dutch offshore gas purchase

Clyde buys Newmont assets

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Clyde Petroleum yesterday moved itself several places up the industry league table with a £138 million purchase of a sizeable portion of the Dutch offshore gas industry.

The acquisition – the offshore gas interest in The Netherlands of Newmont Mining of Dallas – will be paid for mainly by a £121.1 million rights issue, which already has the backing of 43.9 per cent of shareholders.

Ironically, the abortive British Gas raid on Lasmo shares last week sent the prices of other independents soaring and created the climate for a successful rights issue.

The deal is being seen as a considerable coup for Clyde, which has stalked the Newmont assets for the past year. Among its leading shareholders only British & Commonwealth Holdings, with 9.4 per cent, is not taking up its new shares in the three-for-four issue at £1 a share, and is expected to reduce its holding.

The deal gives Clyde a working interest in 12 offshore producing gas fields and exploration acreage in which five wells drilled in a planned programme of 30 have been 100 per cent successful.

The main asset is a 4 per cent stake in the six-block development operated by NAM, jointly owned by Shell and Exxon. There are other producing fields owned by Mobil and NAM and all the gas involved has been sold on long-term contracts to Gasunie.

The contracts have the unusual advantage of not being entirely dollar-denominated, but in a mixture of dollars, marks and guilders, and the existing production will provide cash flow well into the next century.

Under Dutch tax laws the deal will also allow Clyde to offset other overseas exploration against its earnings from the gas fields. Cash raised will also help Clyde meet the cost of its share of the expansion of the Wytch Farm onshore oil field in Dorset.



Dr Colin Phipps: "good fit"

Newmont was forced to put the assets up for sale to restructure its debt after unwelcome attention in its shares from Mr T Boone Pickens, the corporate raider.

A total of 25 companies expressed an interest and were given a day to go through the available seismic and other data on the assets in Dallas. Clyde's successful bid was in line with valuations made by independent consultants.

Dr Colin Phipps, chairman of Clyde, said yesterday: "Inevitably some people will say we paid too high a price, but they are assets of the highest quality and fit well with what we already have. They will provide the company with excellent cash flow in the coming years which will be used to fund further exploration and developments.

"Like Wytch Farm the Dutch acreage has characteristics of exceptionally long life and robust economics. Wytch Farm will support a growing exploration programme in the UK and the Dutch acreage will support exploration both in The Netherlands and internationally."

Clyde also announced a drop in interim operating profits to £1.3 million against £2.3 million in the first half of last year due to the weak world oil price and the strong pound. Daily oil and gas production increased by 16 per cent compared with last year, but the pre-tax profit dropped to £2.7 million after £3.1 million last time. An interim dividend of 0.5p will be paid and Dr Phipps said the directors hoped to recommend a similar final dividend. The share price dropped 10p to 118p.

● Sovereign Oil & Gas has also been badly hit by the drop in the sterling oil price. Interim pre-tax profits were down from £2.2 million to £796,000 in the first half of this year. Post-tax profits fell 37 per cent from £589,000 last year to £374,000.

COMMENT David Brewerton

Lonrho finds a raider under a nominee stone

What do you want first, the good news or the bad news?

Lonrho chief, Roland "Tiny" Rowland received both kinds around lunchtime yesterday, but the market saw only the former.

The good news, from Lonrho's point of view, is that the identity of the shareholder standing behind the Swiss bank, Hentsch et Cie of Geneva, was eventually uncovered before Lonrho's lawyers actually entered court to have the shares disenfranchised.

The bad news is that it is the noted New York arbitrageur, Asher B Edelman. Lonrho might have sooner not known who was the hand sheltering in the nominee glove, but faced with the unmistakable fingerprints of an investor who has put bigger fish than Lonrho into play, the atmosphere at Lonrho's Cheapside headquarters was hardly one of calm. Lonrho itself is "making further inquiries" into the shareholding, but perhaps the worst news of all is that it does not know for certain how much stock Mr Edelman controls. There are, or were, 3.8 per cent of the shares in the nominee. Mr Edelman may be through 5 per cent by now.

Few expect Mr Edelman to be the man who takes and breaks Lonrho: it is not his style. But as one Wall Street veteran said: "If Asher wants to take Lonrho he has the wherewithal."

Lonrho is, however, very much Mr Edelman's type of situation. It is stuffed with assets, and its shares, even after the strong run since we wrote about them a month ago, are at a substantial discount to assets. The bald numbers are that assets are worth probably 500p and the shares are under 300p. That leaves a wonderful premium for the accomplished raider to work through.

Mr Edelman is, no mistake, an accomplished raider. He is rarely around to pick up the final tab for the bids he initiates, but among the situations where he has played a central role are the bids for Burlington and Payless Cashways. He survived the crash and is involved in several situations at present.

As much as 25 per cent of the Lonrho shares may now be held by investors in the US, including the declared stake held by Mutual Shares Corporation. But investors on both sides of the Atlantic will find it more difficult to pick up stock after the pre-emptive action by Lonrho itself. By flushing out Mr Edelman at an early stage, "Tiny" may just have saved Lonrho from further corporate action.

But he shouldn't count on it.

One more hurdle to cross

One down, and one to go. The expected horrors of the August bank lending figures failed to materialize, and the gilt market responded with its first good day for many a month. Now, only the trade figures stand in the way of the Chancellor's desire to hold base rates at 12 per cent for a little while longer.

The money figures may herald a period in which the economic news starts to spring pleasant rather than nasty surprises, or they may just be a freak set of data. Closer analysis of yesterday's bank lending figures suggests that if they are not a freak, they are not the slowdown for which the Chancellor is looking.

The first difficulty lies in the fact that not even the Bank of England can put its finger on why bank lending should have fallen dramatically in August. It certainly had nothing to do with the personal sector. The Committee of London and Scottish Bankers reported record mortgage lending and no sign of any let-up in consumer credit growth.

Mortgage lending by the building societies continued strong in August (as it will in September). The main interest for the markets is now to see by how much mortgage commitments tailed off last month, in figures due on Friday.

This leaves the company sector as the only area in which a slowdown may have occurred, and indeed there are hints of this in the clearing bank figures. What we cannot know at this stage is how much this reflects one-off factors, such as refinancing of takeover borrowing or an unwinding of earlier bill arbitrage. Companies, sitting on healthy cash reserves, may also have reached the point where interest rates had risen to a level which no longer justified borrowing from the banks.

More worryingly, it may be that it is the corporate sector which will respond to higher interest rates rather sooner than individuals. In other words, the Chancellor will succeed in cutting back investment rather better than he achieves the desired consumer spending slowdown.

Whether or not this occurs depends mainly on the announcement effect of higher mortgage rates for, as the building societies are quick to point out, most people only change their mortgage payments once a year.

The September money figures, already lining up for a big rise on M0, may be distorted by the effects of the postal strike. As such, it will be difficult to draw any firm conclusions about the effect on domestic monetary conditions of the Chancellor's monetary medicine. The focus remains on the trade figures.

Abingworth hits at 30% discount to asset value

By Martin Waller

Abingworth, the high technology venture capital group, saw its net asset value decline from 375p to 336p over the year to end-June as a result of last October's stock market crash. The interim dividend is held at 1.25p.

At this level, and with a share price of 235p, up 2p yesterday, the 30 per cent discount to the group's asset value was attacked as "unjustifiable" by Mr Anthony Montagu, the chairman.

During the year Abingworth invested $5.8 million (£3.44 million) in new companies in the US and provided another $5.5 million in support of existing investments. It claims to have about four private US companies now considering a stock market flotation.

In this country it invested £110,000 in new companies and £1.1 million in existing ones.

Melville, the specialist refurbisher, is set to come to the market next month by means of a placing by Barclays de Zoete Wedd, netting Abingworth a paper profit approaching £4 million on its 12.5 per cent stake.

From its roots in the computer and telecommunications industries, Abingworth is planning further moves into the biotechnology and health care area. During the last financial year 39 per cent of new money went into this sector, against 43 per cent into the other growth area of niche financial services, said Mr Montagu.

Bowthorpe's $22m deal

By Colin Campbell

Bowthorpe Holdings, in its largest acquisition, is paying an initial $22 million (£13.08 million) for Thermalloy Investment of Dallas, Texas, which will give it worldwide penetration in the thermal products market.

The deal, which brings Bowthorpe plants in Dallas, Hong Kong, and Corby, England, could rise to a maximum of $27 million, depending on profits performance over the next five years.

Dr John Westhead, the managing director, says the company will now have more than 10 per cent of the world market in this field. Thermalloy serves nearly all leading US semiconductor and electronics manufacturers.

Since the September rights issue, which raised £43 million, Bowthorpe has made seven acquisitions. But Dr Westhead, said: "We still have a significant amount of cash in the bank to make further acquisitions. We reckon we can grow to four times our present size."

Bowthorpe unveiled interim pre-tax profits of £18.83 million (£15.79 million) for the half year ended June 30, on a turnover up to £87.3 million (£82.1 million). The interim dividend is raised from 1.06p to 1.26p a share.

The UK companies in the group contributed 41 per cent (39 per cent) of total operating profit. Overseas companies performed well, although Atlantic Scientific Corporation made a small loss, as orders fell significantly.

Bowthorpe shares rose 1p to 165p.

Jewel in crown for Blenheim

By Wolfgang Münchau

The USM-quoted Blenheim Exhibition Group yesterday announced the acquisition of Ifssec, the organizer of Europe's leading fire protection and securities exhibition, for about £7.5 million, mostly in cash.

"Crime prevention is the second fastest growing business in the country," said Mr Lawrie Lewis, Blenheim's chief executive. "Crime is the first."

The acquisition is likely to make Ifssec the jewel in Blenheim's crown since it is expected to contribute more than 50 per cent of Blenheim's earnings next year.

In the year ended June, the company achieved pre-tax profits of £742,000 on a turnover of £2.14 million. Mr Lewis said he expected next year's profits to rise to more than £1 million.



£7.5m cash buy: Lawrie Lewis, Blenheim chief executive

Newspaper in black as Trinity advances

A return to profit at the Liverpool *Daily Post* featured in the halfway figures for the six months to June 25 from Trinity International Holdings, whose pre-tax profits were ahead to £6.62 million, from £5.51 million.

The result reflected strong performances from all three divisions – UK newspapers, Canadian and US publishing and paper mills and corrugated plant business – said Mr John McKenna, the finance director. Profits were split about equally.

The company, formerly the Liverpool Daily Post & Echo, is paying an interim dividend of 1.8p, up from 1.4p.

£1.46m pre-tax for Fitch-RS

Fitch-RS, Britain's leading design group, lifted pre-tax profits 36 per cent in the first half of 1988, to £1.46 million. Mr Rodney Fitch, the chairman, is hoisting the interim dividend from 2.5p to 3p a share. Earnings are 16.6p against 12.4p a share. Fitch has redesigned many of Britain's high street chain stores.

Same payout

Watmoughs Holdings, the printing to carton manufacturing group, yesterday reported a 41.2 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £2.88 million for the six months to end-June. The interim dividend remained at 2p per share. Turnover increased 8.4 per cent to £26.47 million. Earnings per share went up from 8.99p to 12.59p.

Beauford rises

Beauford Group, the plant equipment and machine tools producer, lifted pre-tax profits 25 per cent to £642,000 during the six months to end-June. Turnover was up 4.33 per cent to £6.65 million. Earnings per share have risen 23.5 per cent to 6.3p. The interim dividend was raised from 1.2p to 1.4p.

Burford soars

Burford Group, the commercial property investment and trading group, lifted pre-tax profits 93 per cent to £5.96 million on turnover up 255 per cent to £18.7 million. Earnings per share went up 64 per cent to 8.7p. The final dividend rose from 1.2p to 1.5p.

40% increase

Silentnight Holdings raised its pre-tax profit 40 per cent to £4.4 million in the first half of the year and has increased its interim dividend from 1.75p to 2.25p per share. First-half earnings per share were 44 per cent higher at 6p.

Higher sales

James Crean raised pre-tax profits 57 per cent to £6.2 million on sales 12 per cent higher at £65 million in the first six months of 1988. Earnings per share rose from 13.3p to 17.7p. The interim payout is up from 6p to 6.5p.

Turnover slips

Irish Glass raised pre-tax profit from Ir£1.6 million (£1.3 million) to Ir£2.2 million in the year to end-June. Turnover was down from Ir£32 million to Ir£28 million. The dividend is up by half to 3p per share.

Broadcast up

Broadcast Communciations, owner of Business Television, which produces Channel 4's *Business Daily* programme, turned in pre-tax profits of £338,000 for the year to June, against just £14,000 last time.

Listing gained

California Energy, which operates nine geothermal power plants on the West Coast of the US, has been listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Debt guarantee plan for UK

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Financial Security Assurance, the New York debt guarantee company, is setting up a representative office in London to provide high-quality backing for debt issues by British companies.

The company, which began trading three years ago, has already guaranteed more than $8 billion (£4.75 billion) of debt for various US companies in areas such as mortgages, car loans, property and credit card loans. It has also been involved in mortgage securities launched in the last two years in Britain, though the company believes that the market for securitizing other forms of consumer finance is likely to grow rapidly in this country.

Mr Anthony Hillier, head of the London operation, said that banks in particular would be keen to securitize some of their assets, which would enable them to reduce their balance sheets before the introduction of tighter capital ratios in 1992. The Financial Security guarantee is provided by a form of insurance policy as well as by carefully structuring the debt issue to ensure that it gains a "triple-A" rating from credit rating agencies.

The guarantee enables less well-rated companies to issue very highly-rated securities.

This reduces the interest cost for the borrower, in some cases by more than one percentage point.

China signs £300m aid deal

From Catherine Sampson, Peking

Mr Christopher Patten, the Minister for Overseas Development, has signed a soft loan agreement for £300 million which he said represented an important new stage in Britain's relations with China.

"The funds will allow us to offer further assistance for China's development needs, and will also present major opportunities to British firms to expand their operations in a growing market," he said. A first-time visitor to China, he was impressed by the signs of economic development and the vast size of the potential market.

This is the second such agreement with China. The first, in 1986, was also for £300 million, of which £245 million has been taken up. Its terms were a five-year grace period and a 15-year repayment period at an interest rate of 5 per cent.

The latest agreement, based on the first, which was considered to be "slightly inflexible," sets no fixed interest rate or repayment period and will be a mixture of soft loans and mixed credit. The type of credit utilized is to be decided project by project, with consideration given to rises and falls in interest rates.

Winding up after 37 years

Another of the City's small, independent, agency stockbrokers is planning to wind up its business at the end of this account. Watterson & Cook, founded 37 years ago and with just two partners – Clifford Gooding, aged 73, and Norman Cook, aged 80 – will cease to exist from the end of the month. The firm was founded when Cook – one of the best known bears in the City – and Watterson both left the firm WH Hart, but Watterson died shortly afterwards and Gooding replaced him. The firm's clients – both high worth private clients and a number of small institutions – will be moving on to the Liverpool firm Blankstone Sington, along with Watterson's two most senior executives, John Sheargold and office manager, Brian Cox. Watterson employed just five people in total, plus its two partners, and its future had been in jeopardy since Gooding suffered a stroke in May. "We will effectively become a toe-hold on the London market for Blankstone Sington," says Sheargold, who has been with Watterson for 33 years. "We will be keeping our box on the edge of the Stock Exchange floor but our office in Cheapside will eventually go."

Tact and . . .

BBC Home Entertainment, which sells videos ranging from *Watch with Mother* to *The Singing Detective*, is looking for a negotiations assistant. Alternatively, according to an adjacent national newspaper ad, it also needs an assistant, negotiations. The negotiations assistant needs successful communications skills. So does the assistant, negotiations. Both need an ability to draft contracts, not to mention a lively interest in the recording industry. But the real difference between the posts is surely that the negotiations assistant requires tact, while the assistant, negotiations, needs a meticulous approach to detail. Tact, according to the salaries offered, pays about one third more than attention to detail. Which confirms, as many of us suspected, that those who attend to detail are not very highly regarded by their employers.



"Zantac has certainly cured my ulcer."

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Kwik, keep-fit, slow

Tom Farmer, the bouncy boss of the replacement tyre and exhaust company, Kwik-Fit Holdings, is proud of the advertising jingle that accompanies his slogan: "You can't get better than a Kwik-Fit fitter." But sprightly Tom was somewhat caught out when, with his wife, he arrived at a promotional Saturday night dance, organized by one of his depots in Scotland, and the handleader, announcing his arrival to the 250 guests, called on him to dance a little jig to the jingle. "I was in the company of friends so it wasn't too bad," says Tom. "I took to the floor and did a little dance which seemed to amuse everyone. I don't intend making a habit of it though. But it is a good way to keep in trim." Methinks other shareholders should be shown.

Racing cert

The Olympics will be watched with particular interest by investors in the town of Waukegan, Illinois. For the better American athletes do. the better off the investors will become. The Home Federal Bank for Savings there is linking the rate of interest on its new certificate of deposit with the number of medals won by the United States.

Banking on Tyce

The City merry-go-round continues. John Tyce, aged 42, and one of the best known and most popular banking analysts in the Square Mile – his team was ranked second in the merchant banking sector in the latest survey of stockbrokers by the magazine, *Institutional Investor* – has, I hear, left the stockbroker, Alexanders Laing & Cruickshank, these days owned by Credit Lyonnais. He resigned on Monday evening, was banished immediately, and will be joining Nomura Research Institute early next year as a director of the Japanese house and its chief banking analyst. His appointment is significant in that it represents a new research sector for the Japanese firm and will eventually lead to the firm extending its market-making to cover banking stocks. "We are research led," explains a Nomura spokesman, "and only make markets in stocks that we research. But it will probably be a while before we start making markets in banking shares." Nomura now employs a total of 16 or so analysts, makes markets in 19 stocks and follows 120. "We are looking to recruit other analysts and our market-making will also be expanding in due course," says the spokesman. Meanwhile Alexanders Laing & Cruickshank will continue with its two other banking analysts – Martin Hughes and James Johnson – who are not moving on with Tyce.

Carol Leonard

BLAGDEN INDUSTRIES PLC

1 for 4 Rights Issue

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Following the announcement by Blagden Industries Plc (the "Company") on 19th September, 1988 that the period for acceptance under the Rights Issue of 7,688,447 new Ordinary Shares described in the Circular to shareholders dated 16th August, 1988 would be extended beyond the present final date of 26th September due to the recent postal strike, the Company hereby gives notice, to its shareholders and to others, of the revised timetable:

Latest time for splitting	**3.00pm, Wednesday 28th September 1988**
Latest time for acceptance and payment in full and registration of renunciation	**3.00pm, Friday 30th September 1988**
First day of dealings in new shares fully paid	Monday, 3rd October 1988
Definitive share certificates expected to be posted	Friday, 28th October 1988

St Albans
21st September 1988

By order of the Board
G L Levine
Secretary

N M Rothschild & Sons Limited, a member of The Securities Association, has underwritten the above rights issue and has approved this notice for the purposes of Section 57 of the Financial Services Act 1986.

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Earnings from operations: $104 million, up 58%.

Earnings before extraordinary items: $262 million, up 199%.

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Record earnings from operations are $104 million, up 58%. Adding the equity share of retained earnings from our major investments raised this to $262 million, three times last year's figure. The contribution from our major investments increased significantly.

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	1988	1987
FOR THE YEAR		
Earnings from operations	103.9	65.6
Earnings before extraordinary items	262.3	87.7
Net earnings	774.7	122.0
Earnings before extraordinary items per share ($)	1.54	0.51
Dividends declared per share ($)	0.30*	0.26
AT YEAR-END		
Shareholders' equity	2,371.8	1,811.3
Excess of market value of quoted investments over carrying value	651.7	1,262.0
Net asset value	3,023.5	3,073.3

*Recommended by directors and subject to shareholders' approval

The final dividend for the year to June 30, 1988 of 20 US cents is payable on November 12, 1988 to shareholders of record on October 14, 1988. Copies of the Annual Report may be obtained from the Corporation's headquarters at 68-70 boulevard de la Pétrusse, Luxembourg L-2320, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, or from the UK transfer agent: Hill Samuel Registrars Limited, 6 Greencoat Place, London SW1P 1PL.

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Neill (J)	Industrials L-R	
2	Metrofilm Repro	Electricals	
3	Allied-Lyons (aa)	Breweries	
4	Trinity Intl	Newspapers,Pub	
5	Bridon	Industrials A-D	
6	Brixton	Property	
7	Yale & Valor	Industrials S-Z	
8	GKN (aa)	Industrials E-K	
9	Audio Fidelity	Electricals	
10	Reckitt Colman (aa)	Industrials L-R	
11	Chapman	Paper,Print,Adv	
12	STC (aa)	Electricals	
13	Westmex	Industrials S-Z	
14	Fitch Lovell	Foods	
15	Davy	Industrials A-D	
16	Whitbread Inv	Breweries	
17	Reed Int (aa)	Newspapers,Pub	
18	Booker	Foods	
19	Quest Automation	Electricals	
20	Plessey (aa)	Electricals	
21	P & O Dfd (aa)	Shipping	
22	MEPC (aa)	Property	
23	Johnson Matthey	Industrials E-K	
24	Frogmore	Property	
25	Erskine Hse	Industrials E-K	
26	Croda	Chemicals,Plas	
27	First Leisure	Leisure	
28	Rank Org (aa)	Industrials L-R	
29	Devenish (JA)	Breweries	
30	Br Land (aa)	Property	
31	Pressac	Electricals	
32	Friendly Hotels	Hotels,Caterers	
33	*Pilkington (aa)*	*Industrials L-R*	
34	Mountleigh	Property	
35	Barclays (aa)	Banks,Discount	
36	Allied Irish	Banks,Discount	
37	Lon Intl	Industrials L-R	
38	Attwoods	Building,Roads	
39	Greycoat	Property	
40	Scapa	Industrials S-Z	
41	BICC (aa)	Electricals	
42	Scot & New (aa)	Breweries	
43	RHM (aa)	Foods	
44	Elco	*Industrials E-K*	

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1987/8 High	Low	Stock	Price	Chg'ge	Int accly Yld%	Gross Red Yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
100¾	94¾	Treas 9¾% 1988	99¾	● ..	9.8	11.250
102⅜	99¼	Treas 11½% 1989	99⅝	..	11.5	11.745
103⅛	99	Treas 10¾% 1989	99⅛	+⅛	10.5	11.581
102	98⅝	Exch 10% 1989	99⅛	+⅛	10.1	11.584
104¼	96⅝	Exch 10¾% 1989	99	+⅛	10.9	11.219
103¾	94⅛	Exch 11% 1989	99¾	●+⅛	11.0	11.442
97¾	82¾	Treas 5% 1990-40	85⅝	●+⅛	5.2	9.971
101⅝	94	Treas C 9¾% 1990	99⅛	●+⅛	9.8	11.536
97⅝	95¾	Treas 3% 1990	96⅝	+⅛	3.1	8.731
102⅛	95⅝	Treas 8% 1990	99⅞	+⅛	8.3	10.219
107⅛	102¾	Treas 13% 1990	102⅝	+⅛	12.8	10.736
104⅝	100	Exch 11¾% 1990	102⅝	+⅛	11.8	10.731
107⅛	102	Exch 12¾% 1990	105⅛	●+⅛	12.2	10.867
99¾	90⅝	Treas 3% 1990	90⅝	..	3.3	9.237
98⅜	85¾	Treas 8¾% 1987-90	98¾	+⅛	8.5	10.658
103⅜	93⅝	Treas 10% 1990	99⅝	●+⅛	10.1	10.853
91⅛	87¼	Exch 2½% 1990	97⅝	+⅛	2.6	8.845
105⅞	98¼	Treas C 10% 1991	98⅝	+⅛	10.1	10.618
107⅛	101⅛	Treas 11¾% 1991	102⅝	+⅛	11.5	10.783
96¼	87⅜	Funding 5¾% 1987-91	90⅝	●+⅛	6.3	8.898
107⅛	95¾	Exch 11% 1991	101⅝	●+⅛	10.9	10.672
90¾	86⅛	Treas 3% 1991	86⅝	+⅛	3.4	8.893
98⅜	92¾	Treas 8% 1992	93⅝	+⅛	8.6	10.581
113⅝	105¾	Treas 12¾% 1992	106⅝	+⅛	12.0	10.596
104⅛	98¼	Treas 10% 1992	98⅝	+⅛	10.2	10.569
106⅜	99¾	Treas C10¾% 1992	100⅝	+⅛	10.6	10.600
96¾	82¼	Treas 3% 1992	82⅝	+⅛	3.6	8.805
98¾	88¾	Treas 8% 1992	93	+⅛	8.6	10.616
112⅝	104¾	Exch 12¾% 1992	105⅝	●+⅛	11.8	10.653
114⅜	106⅝	Exch 13¾% 1992	106⅝	●+⅛	12.3	10.629
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
97¼	91¾	Treas 8¼% 1993	92⅝	+⅛	8.9	10.544
105¾	93¼	Treas 10% 1993	99	●+⅛	10.1	10.496
115⅝	107⅝	Treas 12¾% 1993	108⅝	+⅛	11.8	10.534
95	88	Fund 6% 1993	88	..	6.8	10.599
121⅜	112⅜	Treas 13¾% 1993	113	+⅛	12.2	10.566
101¾	91½	Treas 8¾% 1994	92⅝	+⅛	9.2	10.512
92¾	86	Treas 8% 1994 a	92⅝	..	..	..
125⅜	115⅝	Treas 14¾% 1994	117	+⅛	12.4	10.507
110⅝	107⅜	Exch 12¾% 1994	108⅝	+⅛	11.5	10.465
120⅜	111⅜	Exch 13¾% 1994	112⅝	●+⅛	12.0	10.667
101⅛	93¾	Treas 9% 1994	94⅝	+⅛	9.5	10.342
100⅞	96	Treas 9% 1995	99	+⅛	10.1	10.389
114⅜	105⅝	Treas 12% 1995	107	+⅛	11.2	10.584
83⅜	78⅛	Gas 3% 1990-95 a	81	..	3.7	5.618
106⅜	98¾	Exch 10¾% 1995	99⅝	+⅛	10.8	10.482
126⅜	111⅛	Treas 12¾% 1995	112⅝	+⅛	11.4	10.553
126⅜	116⅝	Treas 14% 1996	117⅝	+⅛	11.9	10.562
101⅛	93¾	Treas 9% 1992-96	94⅝	+⅛	9.5	10.159
133⅜	123¾	Treas 15¼% 1996	124⅝	+⅛	12.2	10.513
123⅜	114	Exch 13¾% 1996	115⅜	+⅛	11.5	10.422
109⅝	97¾	Conv 10% 1996	98⅝	+⅛	10.1	10.339
134¾	115	Treas 13¾% 1997	116⅝	+⅛	11.4	10.397
108¾	97⅛	Exch 10½% 1997	101⅛	+⅛	10.4	10.351
99⅛	91⅛	Treas 8¾% 1997	92⅝	+⅛	9.1	10.158
134⅝	125¾	Exch 13% 1997	126⅛	●+⅛	12.3	10.535
87¾	81⅛	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	82⅝	+⅛	8.1	9.586
104	96⅝	Exch 9¾% 1998	97⅝	+⅛	10.0	10.262
140⅛	124⅝	Treas 15½% 1998	131⅛	●+⅛	11.8	10.421
116⅜	106¾	Exch 12% 1998	107⅝	+⅛	10.8	10.334
103¾	95¾	Treas 9½% 1999	97⅛	+⅛	9.8	10.032
120⅝	111⅛	Exch 12¾% 1999	112⅝	●+⅛	10.9	10.328
103⅜	103⅛	Treas 10¾% 1999	103⅝	+⅛	10.3	10.127
103⅜	103⅛	Conv 10½% 1999	103⅝	+⅛	10.2	10.198
100⅞	86¼	Treas 8¼% 2000	90⅝	+⅛	9.4	9.988
126⅝	117⅞	Treas 13% 2000	118⅝	+⅛	11.0	10.310
99⅜	92¾	Conv 9% 2000	94	+⅛	9.6	9.963
108⅜	98⅛	Treas 10% 2001	100⅛	+⅛	10.0	10.086
104⅛	97¾	Conv 9¼% 2001	98⅝	+⅛	9.5	10.044
129⅝	120⅜	Treas 14% 1998-2001	121⅛	+⅝	11.5	10.494
99⅜	92¾	Exch 9% 2002	93⅝	+⅛	9.6	9.719
107⅜	98⅛	Conv 10% 2002	100⅝	+⅛	10.0	10.008
118⅜	109⅜	Exch 12% 1999-2002	111	+⅛	10.8	10.340
105⅜	97¼	Treas 9¾% 2002	98¾	+⅛	9.9	9.983
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
108⅛	100¾	Treas 10% 2003	101¾	+⅛	9.9	9.914
131⅛	122⅝	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	123⅝	+⅛	11.1	10.361
117⅛	108¾	Treas 11¾% 2001-03	110⅝	+⅛	10.5	10.173
108	100¾	Treas 10% 2004	102⅝	+⅛	9.8	9.838
59¾	54¼	Fund 3¾% 1999-04	57⅞	+⅛	6.5	6.449
104⅜	96¼	Conv 9% 2004	98¾	+⅛	9.6	9.756
104¼	93¾	Conv 9¾% 2005	98⅝	+⅛	9.6	9.730
113⅜	105⅝	Exch 10½% 2005	107⅝	+⅛	9.8	9.733
127⅛	116⅝	Treas 12¾% 2003-05	120⅝	+⅛	10.6	9.867
92	85¼	Treas 7% 2002-06	87⅝	+⅛	8.0	8.821
106⅝	99¾	Conv 9½% 2006	101⅝	..	9.6	9.672
121⅜	112⅜	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	114⅜	..	10.3	9.975
97	89¼	Treas 8¾% 2007	91⅝	+⅛	9.3	9.592
137⅛	127⅜	Treas 13¾% 2000-07	129	..	10.5	9.942
101¼	91¼	Treas 9% 2008	95⅝	+⅛	9.3	9.468
92⅝	85	Treas 8% 2008	87⅝	+⅛	9.2	9.408
101⅛	92⅝	Conv 9% 2011	94⅝	+⅛	9.3	9.389
97⅝	89¾	Treas 8¾% 2008-12	89⅝	+⅛	8.5	9.191
89⅜	82⅝	Exch 7¾% 2012-15	85⅝	+⅛	9.1	9.268
130⅝	121⅜	Exch 12% 2013-17	125¾	+⅛	9.6	9.429
UNDATED						
44¾	41	Consols 4%	42¾	..	9.3	..
38¾	37¾	War Ln 3½%	38⅝	..	9.0	..
61	48¾	Conv 3½%	61	●..	5.7	..
33¾	30¾	Treas 3%	31⅝	●..	9.5	..
28⅝	26⅝	Consols 2¾%	28⅝	●..	9.6	..
29⅝	28	Treas 3%	28⅝	●+⅛	9.3	..
INDEX-LINKED						
122	117¾	Treas IL 2% 1990	122	..	..	..
103	99	Treas IL 2% 1992	103	..	..	..
95¼	92¼	Treas IL 2% 1994	94¼	..	..	..
139¾	127¾	Treas IL 2% 1996	137¾	+⅛	..	..
114¾	103¾	Treas IL 2½% 2001	113⅝	●+¼	..	..
111⅝	101⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2003	111⅛	+17	..	..
113¾	110	Treas IL 2% 2005	113	+⅛	..	..
105¾	95¾	Treas IL 2½% 2009	105¾	+⅛	..	..
109¾	99¾	Treas IL 2½% 2011	109¾	+⅛	..	..
91¾	82¾	Treas IL 2½% 2013	91	+⅛	..	..
98¾	89¾	Treas IL 2½% 2016	98	+⅛	..	..
89¾	82¾	Treas IL 2½% 2020	89⅝	●+⅛	..	..
81¾	73	Treas IL 2½% 2024	80¾	+⅛	..	..

BANKS, DISCOUNT HP

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
235	188	Allied Irish	220	225	+3	..	..	..
205	168	Anglo Leasing	180	187	..	..	..	..
89	64	Antiqueer (Henry)	82	84	..	27	33	35.5
232	124	Ass New Z	265	269	/	..	/	..
9⅞	5½	Bankamerica	9⅛	..	..	..	..	..
365	184	Bank of Ireland	218	223	..	..	..	..
189	166	Bank Leumi Israel	17	20	..	..	..	..
388	346	Bank Leumi UK	340	350	..	16.8	4.8	11.5
338	334	Bank Of Scotland	355	357	+6	16.7	4.6	8.2
465	382	Bank Of Wales	457	460	●+6	27.5	7.0	19.6
36	30	Barclays (aa)	35	36	-1	2.2	7.9	13.3
38	28	Benchmark	33	36	-5	14.0	4.7	12.7
436	348	Brown Shipley	50	60	..	..	..	11.9
394	340	Bs Mortgage	355	360	-5	30.0	9.0	11.5
394	330	Clive Allen	340	345	●..	3.7	1.1	12.2
77	54	Cutties	230	240	●..	8.0	3.4	14.0
270	175	Discovery	17½	..	..	..	..	..
17½	11¾	Dixon Manhattan	15½	..	-½	..	..	..
15½	9½	Dixons	17	187	..	6.2	3.4	22.6
205	152	Dixon Bros	17½	..	..	..	..	..
77½	65½	Commerchank	163½	..	-1½	..	..	..
165¼	114½	Dousside Bank	34	37	●+1	1.8	5.0	10.8
28	24	Ebony & Co	196	209	..	12.3	6.2	8.5
228	199	First Nat Finance	50	53	..	3.5	6.9	14.7
94	79	GPG	264	275	●..	24.0	8.9	14.7
349	265	Gerrard Nat	122	125	..	..	..	..
250	90	Giannios Malon	215	225	-1	12.0	5.4	9.0
285	217	Hambros	42	45	..	3.1	7.5	..
52	42	HK Skandhal	130	140	..	7.8	5.7	17.4
440	413	Jessop (Leeds4)	410	450	..	27.0	6.3	12.4
158	135	King & Shaxson	135	138	-3	19.2	14.2	6.3
317	238	Klienwort Benson	286	301	+7	18.0	6.0	5.1
57	46	Lloyds (aa)	43	45	..	2.5	5.6	11.7
354	306	Lon Scot Bk	416	418	..	24.0	5.7	24.3
531	370	Midland (aa)	390	392	●..	14.5	3.8	9.2
235	196	Morgan Grenfell	230	240	●..	..	..	..
745	546	Nat Asst Bk	570	580	●..	..	..	..
655	552	Nat West (aa)	545	547	+5	33.7	6.2	6.·

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ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 19. Dealings end September 30. §Contango day October 3. Settlement day October 10. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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BREWERIES

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
441	322	Allied-Lyons (aa)	413	415	+4	17.3	4.2	12.4
867	734	Bass (aa)	747	752	..	26.9	3.6	11.2
186	44	Belhaven	57	58	..	1.9	1.7	22.5
179	127	Boddington	148	152	+12	5.4	3.6	12.5
260	208	Brakspear	233	240	..	11.4	5.2	10.3
195	147	Bulmer (H P)	155	163	-1	6.7	5.5	10.6
291	159	Burtonwood Brew	170	177	+1	4.3	2.4	21.5
330	232	Clark (Matthew)	303	313	●-2	14.7	5.8	11.2
377	282	Dreweh (JA)	313	320	+5	4.0	1.3	22.9
246	176	Greenall Whitley	216	220	+1	8.3	3.8	12.4
484	352	Growe Kelg	452	460	+2	19.8	4.3	20.2
287	271	Gunness (aa)	287	288	..	14.9	5.2	10.3
785	690	Hardys & Hansons	750	770	-5	36.0	4.9	14.5
107	76	Highland Dist	107	110	..	3.5	3.2	17.8
206	168	Invergordon Dist	200	206	●+2	8.3	4.0	17.8
448	125	Irish Dist	418	418	..	..	..	..
169	118	Matthew Thompson	140	144	..	3.9	2.7	16.8
288	264	Morland	270	270	..	10.9	4.1	25.5
388	265	SA Breweries	360	365	..	..	..	..
384	306	Scot & New (aa)	339	341	+5	22.2	3.6	16.7
737	476	Vaux Group	663	666	-4	21.6a	3.2	20.9
317	268	Whitbread A (aa)	288	290	+4	14.1	4.9	16.9
700	304	Do B	280	700	..	14.1	2.2	19.6
411	298	Whitbread Inv	368	377	+5	12.3	3.3	19.6
432	351	Wolverhmpn & D	396	400	-1	8.2	2.1	16.9
530	345	Young A	505	525	..	12.3	2.4	30.1

BUILDING, ROADS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
272	216	Abbey	273	283	●-2	..	..	..
488	315	Amec	360	363	-2	19.3	5.3	10.2
472	342	Amey Sec	388	413	..	14.4	3.8	10.9
64	36	Anglo Dut	45	..	..	1.3	3.0	10.1
208	90	Ampdate	155	167	..	5.3	3.3	10.1
240	205	Attwoods	223	228	+5	6.7	3.2	15.7
210	244	BPB Ind (aa)	265	268	-1	12.3	4.6	8.4
322	240	Baggeridge Brick	282	282	..	5.0	1.8	16.1
85	63	Bovey (Ben) Constr	78	81	..	1.9	2.4	16.5
216	160	Barratt Devs	185	187	..	12.6	7.6	11.9
275	181	Bellway	223	227	..	12.6	5.7	10.6
113	85	Belmarsh	83	86	●+2½	5.0	5.8	5.9
384	256	Bovaistry Gp	260	265	..	4.7	1.7	10.8
384	256	Brit Bldg	260	265	..	4.7	1.7	10.8
474	408	Brown & Root	450	455	●+5	21.3	4.7	10.9
474	408	Bsc Cecile (aa)	423	424	+1	23.3	5.5	10.0
330	318	Bovi (Henry)	375	388	..	19.3	5.1	9.8
255	167	Bredero PLC	218	220	●+½	9.0	4.1	30.6
170	119	Br Dredging	126	130	..	6.9	5.3	10.3
157	117	Bryant	135	137	-2	5.7	4.5	7.8
156	112	CALA	143	148	+1	3.7	2.5	10.1
154	119	CRH	143	145	..	..	..	..
155	104	Caledonian Rdwy	123	130	..	5.1	4.0	22.2
355	258	Carason	314	320	..	10.7	3.4	11.8
140	97	Church Charles	107	109	..	4.7	4.3	10.2
209	195	Condor Gp	205	205	..	..	..	10.1
171	112	Costain PLC	147	154	●..	4.0	2.6	18.6
106	256	Costain	302	304	●+1	14.0	4.6	12.4
317	282	Countrywide	290	298	..	10.0	3.2	12.0
231	178	Crest Nicholson	208	211	●+13	6.3	4.0	10.6
126	78	Crosby James	112	117	●..	2.7	2.4	10.0
295	228	Douglas (RM)	274	278	..	6.9	2.1	21.5
41	23	Edmond Helgs	33½	36½	..	1.5	4.3	16.3
106	78	Estin	97	102	●-2	4.4	4.4	12.5
369	175	Fairclough Hag	245	250	●+5	7.7	3.1	9.1
98	75	Fitzen Gp	78	83	●-1	6.0	7.4	9.3
76	60	Gibbons	67	69	..	3.8	5.5	15.2
289	210	Gibbs & Dandy Dst	265	285	..	9.5	3.3	14.0
360	265	Glasgow (Hldgs)	288	295	●-5	9.0	3.0	11.5
265	205	Harrison Ind	255	265	..	9.1	3.5	15.3
126	91	Hawdon-Stuart	121	123	..	2.7	2.2	12.5
320	229	Heywood Williams	310	315	●-2	13.3	5.0	9.6
389	191	Higgs & Hill	224	226	-2	12.0	5.3	10.3
98	75	Hitar Gp	78	84	..	4.1	5.5	10.4
69	52	Howard Hldgs	54	57	●..	1.7	3.0	9.3
262	161	Jessop Jackson	168	170	-2	6.0	3.7	10.6
193	86½	Jones (J) & Sons	152	155	+1	..	..	..
268	270	Lang (J)	288	293	●-1	10.7	3.7	9.6
179	111	Lawrence (Walter)	135	138	..	6.5	4.7	6.6
36	30	Lilley (FJG)	46	50	..	..	..	57.6
202	195	Lilley (W H)	195	198	..	7.0	3.6	12.7
282	195	Magnet (aa)	202	204	+1	9.2	4.5	12.1
282	147	Maiders	153	156	..	7.6	3.9	21.9
173	128	Marley	154	156	●+1	7.3	4.7	11.1
253	224	Marshalls (Halifax)	225	225	●-1	9.7	4.3	10.0
150	79	Mearmans (J)	98	..	..	2.9	3.0	15.6
268	208	McAlpine (Alfred)	264	271	..	21.5	5.8	7.4
497	370	McCarthy & S	386	394	-1	9.7	1.5	11.1
429	341	Meyer Int	398	407	-1	15.0	3.7	10.9
97	64	Miller (Stanley)	215	225	..	7.0	3.1	29.6
438	347	Minden (John)	358	372	..	23.6	6.4	9.7
82	62	NSM	81	84	+1	..	..	..
17	10½	Newarthill	16½	17½	..	1.2	7.1	10.2
165	116	Norman Tanks	165	168	..	10.5	6.3	12.2
184	108	Pecammon	147	152	..	6.0	4.0	12.1
184	87	Pearce Timber	98	102	..	3.3	3.2	12.5
776	715	Pochin	750	760	..	30.0	3.9	14.2
194	111	Ransome Hoffm	178	182	..	7.4	4.1	10.2
496	423	RMC Gp (aa)	450	454	+4	15.1	3.3	10.7
117	83	Raine Ind	84	86	-1	3.7	4.3	10.2
460	385	Rainford (aa)	397	399	●+2	21.1	5.3	9.2
285	120	Redland	270	272	●-1	9.0	3.3	10.6
144	111	Rugby Group	121	122	..	8.2	6.7	11.0
288	215	Sandell Perkins	262	267	..	7.2	2.7	11.7
350	273	Sharpe & Fisher	283	287	●-1	9.3	3.2	10.3
152	111	Shaw	133	135	-4	7.2	5.3	9.3
282	278	Steetley	352	356	..	12.3	3.5	11.6
264	212	Tarmac (aa)	282	287	+3	9.9	4.4	10.9
151	111	Taylor Woodrow (aa)	147	148	..	6.3	4.3	10.2
147	111	Tilbury Group	145	147	..	6.0	4.1	10.2
516	388	Travis & Arnold	508	512	..	23.5	4.7	10.5
362	322	Trent	329	332	..	20.1	6.1	28.8
169	118	Tunnel	161	164	..	11.1	6.7	9.2
185	111	Ward Group	158	168	●-2	5.9	3.6	12.9
185	141	Ward Hldgs	155	165	..	5.9	3.6	12.9
292	261	Wates Bldg	286	313	..	8.4	2.7	14.6
282	191	Westbury	248	253	..	7.3	3.5	9.6
282	151	Wiggins	265	267	..	8.7	3.4	11.7
143	143	Wilson Bowden	234	236	..	6.5	2.8	13.1
266	158	Wilson (Connolly)	197	198	●-2	3.3	2.1	12.0
275	219	Wimpey (G Ha)	224	225	●+1	10.3	4.6	9.1
123	114	Yttal	117	125	●..	4.0	3.3	11.3

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
144	108	Allied Colloids	122	124	+½	3.3	2.5	13.8
677	441	Amersham	571	574	+2	13.3	2.3	18.4
169	128	BTP	133	134	+½	8.3	6.4	13.8
1⅞	1⅝	Bayer DM50	1⅝	..	..	..	..	..
193	148	Blagden	176	181	↑	10.5	5.9	13.2
165	116	Brent Chems	136	138	..	7.9	5.6	11.5
203	169	Cleaning (W)	200	201	+1	7.3	3.5	10.7
343	285	Coalite	328	330	..	16.0	4.8	10.3
358	256	Coates Bros	315	318	+1	10.6	3.4	10.3
213	173	Croda	183	184	+1	12.5	6.8	12.0
194	138	Ellis & Everard	144	146	+1	7.5	4.5	11.1
192	152	Evode	170	174	..	6.2	3.6	14.4
275	206	Fosseo	249	251	+5	14.5	5.8	11.1
266	236	Hestaid (Jones)	250	253	+5	9.2	3.6	10.0
251	135	Hickson	219	221	●-3	8.3	3.8	14.2
94½	78½	Hoechst DM50	93½	..	..	..	..	..
11⅝	9⅜	Imp Chem Ind (aa)	10	10½	..	57.3	5.7	8.6
498	350	Laporte (aa)	412	415	+12	16.6	4.0	12.7
257	157	Lonrho	212	217	●+1	7.

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Euro Gth Acc	110.7	118.6e	+1.2	1.03
Exempt	379.6	392.7e	+0.2	4.80
Far Eastern	217.2	232.2e	-0.9	0.00
Fin & Prop	78.26	80.78	+0.62	2.95
Hi Yield	75.20	79.22	+0.16	9.78
Income & Gth	237.3	315.0e	+0.6	4.55
Intl Earnings	178.6	187.1	-0.7	2.97
Int Gth Inc	97.83	93.53e	+0.07	2.04
Japan Gth Acc	178.2	185.2	-0.2	0.00
N Amer Gth Inc	117.9	126.7	+0.1	2.53
Preference Inc	133.7	141.7	+0.4	8.61
Smlr Co Div Inc	94.21	101.5	+0.1	5.96
Smlr Co Gth	290.8	307.9e	+0.2	1.56
Spec Sits Inc	126.5	134.1	-0.2	1.55
UK Growth	360.6	382.0	+0.2	3.42

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL
Tel: 0793 28231 dealing: 0793 610366

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	41.62	44.29e	+0.46	4.70
Far East	28.96	30.81e	-0.01	0.29
Nth American	27.09	28.83e	-0.01	0.72
Global	43.39	46.16e	+0.02	0.74
European	40.71	43.49e	+0.59	1.24
Japan	86.52	92.05	+0.50	0.01
Strategic Opp	48.49	51.51	+0.28	1.46
Do Acc	46.45	49.23		3.16
Int Currency	45.52	47.57	-0.17	6.90

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 582, 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU Tel: 01-626 0366 01-929 0363

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Capel	394.7	410.5	..	3.30
European S S	49.33	52.58	..	0.67
Far East S S	51.09	55.40	..	0.55
Gold Gen S S	51.29	54.73	..	0.53
Income	326.9	332.4	..	5.24
Intl Sp Sits	49.54	52.87	..	1.94
Nth Amer	244.3	260.7	..	2.19

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Investment	443.45	e	..	5.00
Fixed Int	140.3		..	10.19
Deposit	100 D		..	10.00

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	417.72	•	..	5.29
Acc	£10.2356		..	
Deposit	100 D		..	10.60

CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS
Woolgate House, Coleman Street London EC2P 2HD Tel: 01-606 6622

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Man Retmnt	22.43	23.74e		
SC Special Sits	35.23	38.03		0.39

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narroway Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH Tel: 0800 373393

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Gth	20.14	21.43	+0.09	0.46
Asian Gth	22.44	23.87	+0.21	0.79
Dragon Gth	24.22	25.77	-0.79	1.70
Equity Inc Inc	95.11	98.16e	+0.28	5.22
Do Acc	96.48	99.61e	+0.27	5.22
European Gth	26.84	27.49	+0.21	1.41
Gen Equity	46.59	49.28	+0.02	3.29
Gilt Inst Gth	32.01	33.61	-0.03	7.75
Gilt & Fixed Inc	24.1	25.3	..	9.98
Intl Income Tst	22.42	23.61	-0.08	5.99
Japan Gth	47.51	50.03	+0.45	0.00
Pedigree Gth	27.53	29.23	-0.05	2.53
Special Sits	32.89	34.59e	+1.00	2.25
Statutes Inc				
Hme in WP Rg	97.8	102.9	+0.1	..
Hme in WP Sp	97.8	102.9	+0.1	..

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ Tel: 01-283 7500 Dealing 01-638 9818

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK & Gen Inc	51.43	54.70	+0.18	2.53
Do Acc	53.07	56.59	+0.19	2.53
Worldwide Inc	44.17	47.24	-0.06	0.41
Do Acc	44.80	47.91	-0.06	0.41
Gamma Inc	54.54	58.74	+0.18	0.82
Do Acc	54.99	58.74	+0.11	0.82
Amer Gth	52.89	56.27	+0.82	0.00
Euro Gth	58.17	59.75	+0.22	0.00
Far East	53.37	57.23	+0.22	0.00
Gilt & Fxd Int	45.78	48.22e	-0.11	8.42
World Bond	48.71	51.52e	+1.37	5.43
Private Inv Pf	46.81	49.68	-0.15	1.96
Prudnce Inv Pf	47.46	50.42	+0.03	1.98
Progres Inv Pf	49.46	52.62	+0.03	1.98

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW Tel: 04862 5033

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Tst	107.9	115.1	+0.4	0.72
Canadian Gth	20.45	21.81	+0.06	0.56
European Tst	85.55	103.1	+0.7	0.00
Growth Tst	247.3	265.9e	+1.2	2.67
High Income	304.5	327.4	+2.6	5.55
Intl Tech Tst	107.2	114.3	+0.6	0.00
Investment Tst	25.54	27.46	+0.11	0.73
Japanese Tst	236.9	253.4	+2.2	0.00
Man Int	27.54	29.38e	+0.06	2.56

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL Tel: 0737-243424

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
European Gth	52.46	56.06	+0.02	1.50
Euro Spec Sits	40.23	42.97	+0.07	1.50
International	44.85	48.09	+0.09	0.40
Pacific Gth	55.89	59.66	-0.71	2.00
UK Gth Acc	65.03	69.89e	+0.33	2.00
Do Dist	61.87	66.48e	+0.31	2.00
UK Income	54.47	58.54e	+0.13	5.00

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh Tst: 0345 090536

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Fd	61.01	64.82	+0.12	1.54
Capital Fd	125.0	132.8	+1.1	1.51
Commodity	22.65	24.36e	-0.01	7.90
Eurofund	23.53	25.37	+0.17	1.18
Growth & Inc	172.7	183.5	+0.9	4.36
High Dist Fd	152.5	161.7	-0.1	9.61
International	205.5	218.3	+0.7	1.03
Pacific Fd	24.47	26.00	-0.18	0.00
Resources Fd	21.48	22.82	+0.49	0.00
Smlr Cap Co	42.37	44.99	+0.11	2.20
Tokyo Fd	199.4	210.3e	+1.5	0.00
Ex Amer 2	120.7	124.0	..	1.84
Ex Japan 3	122.5	125.6	..	0.17
Ex Pacific 4	370.0	380.2e	..	0.23
Ex Smlr Jap 4	248.5	255.7	..	0.10

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ Tel: 0242 227311

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Select Inc	75.01	83.32	+0.37	2.92
UK Gth Acc	82.73	87.76	+0.39	2.77
UK Gth Inc	117.9	125.1	+0.7	2.80
UK High Inc	89.46	94.92	+0.44	4.62
N Amer Gth	54.58	58.36	+0.22	1.02
Far East Acc	116.7	124.5	..	0.82
European Acc	71.47	76.61e	+0.15	1.33
UK Gilt/Fi Inc	35.12	37.95	+0.02	9.98
Do Acc	94.01	97.29	+0.09	7.73
Intl Spec Sits	38.40	40.86e	+0.29	1.83

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre, Hexagon House Romford RM1 3LS Tel: 0708 760000

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Endurance	118.1	125.6	.	1.88

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
Wellton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW Tel: 0296 434480

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equit Pelican	89.25	94.95	-0.42	3.90
High Income	93.83	99.82	-0.45	5.11
Gt/Fxd Interest	89.73	95.47	-0.42	7.70
Trst Of Inv Tsts	86.09	91.56e	+0.12	2.56
Spec Sits Tst	96.20	102.3e	-0.02	2.93
Nth Amer Tst	59.56	63.37e	+0.47	1.40
Far East Tst	117.0	124.5	+0.52	0.22
Intl Gth	57.64	61.32	+0.24	1.78
European Tst	41.94	44.62	+0.54	1.75

EQUITY & LAW
St. George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1GD Tel: 0203 553231
UK Gen Acc 188.8 190.5 +0.1 3.65

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Inc	140.6	148.6	..	3.65
Higher Inc Acc	315.0	335.1	+1.7	4.82
Do Inc	237.9	253.1	+1.3	4.82
Gilts & Fxd Acc	110.6	118.2e	-0.2	9.08
Do Inc	79.54	85.60e	+0.02	9.08
N Amer Acc	115.2	122.6	-0.4	0.29
Far East Acc	211.8	225.2	+0.8	0.03
Euro Tst Acc	136.8	144.5e	+1.1	0.34
Gen Tst	253.7	269.9e	+0.6	3.91
Smlr Excell	38.56	41.05	-0.11	3.20
Br Fdmds Inc	48.29	48.25e	-0.05	6.54
Do Acc	47.82	50.86e	-0.05	6.54

FOREIGN & COLONIAL
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA Tel: 01-623 4680

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
US Smlr Co	66.94	71.60	+0.88	0.82
UK Inc Fd	85.67	91.63e	-1.57	4.76
Far East Fd	86.32	92.29e	-0.27	0.00
Overseas Inc	62.44	66.78	+0.42	4.26
Fxd Interest	82.56	85.63	-0.12	9.96
Naturl Res Fd	54.81	58.62	-1.10	2.06
European Inc	63.58	68.06	+0.76	2.18
Financials Fd	69.99	74.22e	-0.05	4.97
Intl Tech Fd	96.5	103.0e	-0.7	0.77
UK Gth	83.85	88.29	-0.42	2.36
US Mayor	47.80	50.89	+0.56	0.57

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS
199, Weet George St, Glasgow G2 2PA Tel: 041-332 2132

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Stelen Gth Acc	65.33	68.50	+0.15	1.20
Do Inc	63.48	67.34	+0.15	1.20
Hi Yield Acc	87.25	92.55	+0.15	6.80
Do Inc	27.44	29.19	-0.01	4.60
Inc Gtn Acc	55.54	59.51	+0.21	3.50
Do Inc	47.54	51.00	+0.18	3.50
Spec Co Acc	66.50	71.17	+0.25	0.70
Do Inc	65.33	69.50	+0.10	0.70
Amer Gth Acc	23.83	25.36	+0.11	1.20
Do Inc	23.57	24.23.05	+0.11	1.20
Euro Gth Acc	18.43	17.48e	+0.12	2.00
Do Inc	16.25	17.29e	+0.11	2.00

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY Tel: 0800 414161

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American	106.7	113.1	+0.7	0.90
Amer Equity Inc	92.37	98.11	+0.07	5.26
Amer Spec Sit	52.73	55.82	+0.33	0.71
Australia	26.70	27.31	-0.56	1.99
European	58.04	61.78	+0.14	1.47
Extra Income	72.64	77.24	+0.12	4.30
Far East	26.70	28.18	+0.14	0.37
Global Conv	21.34	22.63e	-0.04	5.72
Far East Inc	38.34	40.62	-0.05	3.62
Gt/Fxd Interest	28.79	29.23e	-0.02	10.12
Growth & Inc	109.3	117.1	+0.4	4.95
Japan Spec Sit	70.48	74.94	+0.21	..
Japan	166.0	175.8	+0.4	..
Managed Ind	125.7	133.5	+0.4	0.48
Nth Plus	99.88	107.2e	-0.21	2.58
Famous Name	39.86	42.75e	+0.03	2.58
SE Asia	40.92	43.57e	-0.29	0.70
Spec Sit	257.7	276.4e	+1.9	0.78
Eastern Opps	21.84	23.42	-0.14	0.00
Fxd Bond	24.73	26.12	-0.14	7.41
Recovery	27.6	29.6	+0.08	2.46
Moneybuilder	25.35	27.02	+0.08	2.73

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NG Tel: 01-628 5181

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Smlr Cos	179.3	192.5e	+0.5	..
Do Acc	183.5	193.5e	+0.5	..
Amer Turn Inc	210.8	222.4	+1.2	..
Do Acc	216.5	228.6	+1.1	..
Conv/Gilt Inc	102.4	108.0	+0.1	8.45
Do Acc	146.6	154.7	+0.2	8.45
European Inc	58.10	61.31	+0.57	1.04
Do Acc	58.10	61.31	+0.57	1.04
Extra Inc Inc	231.5	244.3	+0.7	4.97
Do Acc	265.8	280.6	+0.7	4.97
Financial Acc	144.7	152.7e	+0.27	1.77
Do Acc	44.35	46.80	+0.26	1.07
Income Tst	158.4	167.1	+1.0	4.22
Do Acc	177.1	186.9	+1.1	4.22
Intl Growth Fd	143.8	151.7	+0.4	..
Do Acc	159.8	168.6	+0.5	..
Japan/Gen Inc	120.3	126.9	-0.1	..
Do Acc	121.5	128.2	-0.1	..
Mgmnty Inc Fd	122.1	128.8e	-0.4	4.56
PEP 87	59.38		+0.17	2.43
PEP 88	53.13	56.07	+0.19	2.99
Recovery	178.7	188.6	+1.2	1.79
Do Acc	196.8	207.6	+1.4	1.79
Smlr Cos	57.68	60.87e	+0.22	2.89
Do Acc	58.65	61.89e	+0.23	2.89

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Pitville Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH Tel: Dealing: 0722 411411 Admin: 0722 411822

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equity Dist	228.1	241.8	+1.53	3.04
Do Acc	395.2	418.8	..	3.03
Euro Gth Dist	57.60	60.99	..	0.47
Do Acc	57.00	60.48e	..	0.47
Fxd Interest Di	113.0	119.1	..	7.90
Do Acc	148.4	156.5	..	7.90
Int Gth Dist	52.17	55.27	..	0.51
Do Acc	55.27	58.64	..	0.51
Nat Amer Dist	114.3	121.1	..	1.78
Do Acc	116.9	123.9	..	1.78
Pac Basin Dist	183.3	194.5	..	0.00
Do Acc	187.6	199.0	..	0.00
Steward Dist	227.7	241.3	..	1.75
Do Acc	239.9	254.3	..	1.75
Steward Inc Di	56.75	60.15e	..	4.45
Do Acc	56.75	60.15e	..	4.45
N Am Sped Di	54.85	58.14	..	0.77
Do Acc	55.53	58.86	..	0.77

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 6, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ Tel: 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-638 5431

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Sp Sits	121.4	128.7	+0.4	3.32
Do Acc	122.0	130.5e	+0.4	3.32
Do Spec Sits	50.92	54.76	+0.03	1.94
Income Fd	93.12	99.80e	+0.03	6.16
International	188.2	199.4	+0.3	1.14
US & General	43.68	45.72	+0.13	0.97
Japan & Gen	306.5	327.8	+1.1	0.28
Far East Gen	118.0	127.3	+1.0	0.31
European Fd	57.12	60.52	+0.67	1.57
Germany Fd	57.02	60.62	+0.67	1.57
Intl Inc Fd	48.13	51.48	+0.16	6.09
Mid Spec Sit	58.84	62.72	-0.10	2.97
Global Prp Inc	45.58	48.77	-0.02	3.04

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ Tel: 01-623 1212
Dealings: 01-239 3885 Services: 0800 289697

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Gth Tsts				
British Acc	68.51	71.32	+0.57	2.86
Do Dist	56.02	60.07	+0.09	2.86
Chalk UK Gth	24.01	25.47	+0.01	2.31
Main Expt	23.84	25.29	+0.04	2.70
Pract Inc Inc	65.44	70.17e	-1.39	2.56
Do Acc	124.1	133.1e	-0.72	2.56
Spec Sits	102.7	110.1e	+0.70	0.39
UK Sel Opps	63.20	67.78	+0.53	1.12
UK Smlr Cos	102.9	109.4	+0.21	1.22
Income Tsts				
Extra Inc	58.07	62.10	-0.69	6.60
Fxd Interest	38.73	39.72	-0.20	7.91
High Income	89.44	95.84	-0.51	5.37
Income	94.80	101.1	-0.04	4.34
Intl Fxd Int	23.67	25.11e	-0.19	7.86

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
International Tsts				
Common Stks	57.97	62.00	-1.05	1.28
Frasmr Mkts	25.13	26.72	-0.31	1.01
Global	156.9	167.4	+1.16	0.74
Do Dist	148.8	158.8	+1.10	0.74
Glob Inc/Gth	70.65	75.45	-0.08	3.04
Gold Shares	14.26	15.22	-0.62	2.09
Intl Sel Opps	102.4	113.8		0.99
Oil & Energy	47.11	50.38	+0.90	2.06
Wrldw Recov	88.79	94.97	+1.49	0.73
Overseas Tsts				
American	57.71	72.24	+0.29	1.24
Amer Sel Opp	28.55	30.51e	+0.21	0.32
Australian	14.45	15.42	-0.29	0.90
European	45.38	48.53	+0.22	0.90
Euro Sel Opp	58.28	61.96	+0.42	0.91
Far East	125.5	133.4e	-0.97	0.15
Hedged Amer	35.10	34.11	+0.01	0.50
Hong Kong	30.13	32.17	-0.40	1.85
Japan	71.07	75.57	+0.84	0.00
Japan S/Opp	71.07	75.57	+0.84	0.00
Pacific Gth	50.24	53.71	-0.01	1.00

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Govett House, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR Tel: 01-378 7979
Dealing:01-686 0936

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Int Gth	85.76	95.49	-0.35	1.10
Int Inc	82.7	88.7	+0.9	0.87
American Gth	62.22	66.19e	+0.17	4.58
European Gth	46.66	49.63e	+0.06	1.17
Gold & Minrls	47.82	51.21	+0.31	0.72
Gth	84.80	88.63e	-0.23	
Pacific Inc	84.98	90.41	-0.92	5.33
Pacific Spec	45.42	48.31	-0.58	0.41
UK Prop Inc	84.5	89.9	-0.1	5.40
Intl Recov Inc	117.3	124.8	+0.1	1.53
Japan Inc	294.9	312.8	+0.1	0.00
Japan Spec Inc	297.3	316.3	+0.6	0.00
Jap Spec Inc	141.8	150.9	+0.1	0.04
Smlr Co/Rec	277.8	295.4	+0.2	1.45
Master Acc	148.8	158.3e	+0.1	1.65
Pacific Inc	178.1	189.5	+0.1	0.34
Do Acc	202.1	215.0	+0.1	0.34
Smlr Co Inc	109.1	115.9	+0.1	1.33
Do Acc	131.4	139.8	+0.1	1.33
UK Eq Gth Inc	27.92	29.59e		2.97
Do Acc	46.83	49.81		2.97

GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Guinness Mahon House, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ Tel: 01-623 9333

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Global Gth	40.38	42.95	+0.12	0.60
High Income	92.03	98.07	+0.2	5.55
Pacific Gth	52.28	55.61	-0.3	0.55
Recovery	42.22	44.92	-0.07	0.56
Smaller Cos	314.8	335.1	-0.8	2.29
Spec Sits	101.6	108.1	+0.2	0.97
St Vincent Inc	91.6	97.49	+0.24	4.41
St Vincent US Gth	53.85	56.10e	+1.12	0.97
St Vincent Sm Co	250.8	266.9	..	3.31
TSUSP	154.4	169.4	+2.2	2.93
Euro Gth Tst	45.45	48.18e	+0.22	0.80

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Admins: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 281616

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Equity Inc	55.10	59.52	+0.43	5.18
Canadian Tst	44.85	47.38	+0.37	1.03
Equity Income	83.58	88.96	+0.32	5.53
European Tst	83.98	89.96	-0.32	0.61
High Income	77.29	82.13e	+0.49	6.55
Intl Sits Tst	49.07	52.36e	-0.28	0.47
Japan/Pac Exst	84.29	89.52	+0.56	1.84
Recov & Assst	74.02	78.54e	+0.29	0.97
Scandinavian	32.86	35.19e	+0.09	1.78
Smlr Co	39.40	40.98	+0.26	1.76

HENDERSON
Premier GT Administration Admin 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Tel: 0277 281010

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Gth	89.82	107.0	-0.09	0.00
Amer Smlr Co	42.85	45.27	+0.23	0.00
Australian	107.1	114.4	-3.3	1.47
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Fine tuning on Channel 5

OPINION

Daz Valladares

Recent moves by BBC Enterprises towards increased commercial down-loading on radio and on BBC2 are just one more welcome sign of the new commercial spirit that has emerged at the BBC.

It is clear that the whole corporation under the lead of Michael Checkland is beginning to realize the enormous commercial potential provided by its programming past and present, and overall by the BBC brand name. The Enterprises division, which has been transformed in the last two years by James Arnold-Baker, is the most visible example of this fresh approach.

But when will the BBC throw off the last shackles in which it was bound by Lord Reith, and make a positive step towards taking advertising in some form? It may be sooner than we all imagine. There are reports that Checkland has suggested to the Home Office that Channel 5, the proposed new terrestrial channel, should be given to the BBC to run as a commercial service.

The idea is that Channel 5 could be an upmarket station paid for by advertising and in competition with Channel 4. It would by definition offer that elusive, select AB audience for which more advertisers are searching.

The merits of this suggestion do not need to be spelled out to the advertising industry. It would lead to the first competitive set-up in broadcast advertising, and be the first step towards breaking down the monopolistic obsession of the IBA.

The mere fact of competitive selling would tend to reduce airtime costs. But more important advertisers would be presented with better opportunities to reach upmarket audiences than they have at present. BBC1 and BBC2 can both boast a greater proportion of ABC1 and under-55 audiences. In other words, the people that the majority of advertisers really want to reach spend more of their time watching the "public service" channels, while the advertisers do their best to wring what they can from ITV and Channel 4. This means limited opportunities.

If Channel 5 could attract these audiences in the same way as Channel 4 has an upmarket profile relative to ITV, the prospects for advertisers would be much enhanced.

There may be one problem, however. It could be that the BBC attracts more of an upmarket audience precisely because it does not carry advertisements. When important State or sports occasions are covered by BBC and ITV, the BBC nearly always gets a substantially larger audience.

There is a further point: as countless researchers have pointed out, watching television tends to be a fairly passive exercise. Rather than deciding to view a particular programme, many people make the primary decision to watch television and then take their pick from the available selection.

Since for most people there is a menu of only four items, they often end up with the least unattractive programme rather than one they would positively like to view.

Will this change as people get a choice of far more channels and programmes, and so presumably are more likely to find something they are keen to see? If so, it might lead to more positive attention being paid to programmes (and commercials) instead of the TV operating as a modern version of the fire in the hearth, churning away while the family get on with the rest of their lives.

Either way, it is important that the BBC gets involved in the new world of television and helps to redraw the map.

Daz Valladares is a director of the media independent Bygraves Bushell Valladares & Sheldon

One in the Eye from Viz

Ian Cotton reports on the rise and rise of Suicidal Sid, the Bottom Inspectors and their satirical comic-strip chums from Newcastle



Viz-à-Viz: Biffa Bacon, Sid the Sexist and other members of the *Viz* gang

There is never any shortage of satire magazines just about to make it big. The difference with *Viz* comic – which has been steadily infiltrating the UK publishing scene from its Newcastle base in the past nine years – is that it is big already. The planned print order for the bi-monthly's October edition is 268,000 copies, no less, against 87,000 as recently as February; *Private Eye* sells only 202,000. What's more, every print run to date has been sold out.

Viz – a kind of cross between the *Beano*, *Private Eye* and a teen romance magazine – is rapidly achieving, with a winning lack of perspiration, what a clutch of comics or comedy magazines (everything from *Oink!* at the younger end of the market to the older readership, *The Truth* and *The Digger*) have been attempting for months: an invasion, even conquest, of the fiefdom of *Punch* (65,000) and *Private Eye*.

Consider this quote from *Lawyer* magazine: "What magazine do you think the aware young City lawyer is most likely to be reading on the train on his way to work? *Investors' Chronicle*? *The Economist*? Hardly. *Business*? Never. Those who are not to be found reading *Lawyer* . . . are turning increasingly to *Viz*, an 'adult comic' produced in Newcastle . . ."

Features include the Bottom Inspectors, Bert the Burglar, Suicidal Sid, Felix and his Amazing Underpants – and that's just the *Beano*-ish part of it. Then there are spoof teen romance picture stories with titles like "Too Young To Love" – about a couple of two-year-olds who run away to London for love and get offered heroin – not to mention more familiar *Private Eye*-style pastiches of TV-am, *Sunday Sport* and *The Sun*. (One of their sharper stories was a "tabloid" interview with a Cruise missile driver who had had his missile stolen).

This being Britain, the crudity of the magazine rather than the irreverence alarms the sober.

"Witlessly foul-mouthed", growled one pundit, but whether one is outraged or not, one should certainly not be surprised that the British love it. "I never cease to be amazed," says *Viz* publisher John Brown, "at the capacity of the British for *double entendre*. The *Carry On* films, Benny Hill – the only difference with *Viz* is we're explicit." Schoolboy humour? You betcha.

Viz has another quality, a rather crucial one, which it shares with *Private Eye*: it is funny. And yet another, which it emphatically does not share with *Private Eye*: its world view is that of the young, the provincial, and the long-term unemployed.

This is, no doubt, for the following sociological reason: its editors, Chris and Simon Donald (aged 27 and 24 respectively) were themselves for a long time part of the long-term unemployed. This no doubt accounts in turn for their broader world view: they see things generally with the same weird mixture of appreciation and irony with which they view *The Sun*, say, or the *Nine O'Clock News*; life is all one great comic strip, surely.

Clearly (they seem to imply) no *Sun* caption writer, no Newcastle traffic warden, no High Court judge could actually mean it, they're all just joking really; it's all one great, cosmic put-on. It's as if Chris and Simon (their dad was working class, their mum more posh) have between them given expression to the more light-hearted aspects of working-class and middle-class English life: Chris, bumbly, dreamy-eyed, tousle-haired, besweatered, like an amiable Oxford don; Simon, in ripped denims and woollen hat on back of head, streetwise and sharp.

The comic's history has certainly been unusual. Started to amuse their friends back in 1979, it grew steadily by word of mouth in the Newcastle area, still an essentially amateur production, until IPC tried to head-hunt it in 1985. That union never came off, but the next year a successful deal was struck with Virgin – and then in March 1987 Virgin's John Brown started his own publishing company, with *Viz* as the slightly surprising flagship.

Viz has since gone from strength to strength: the cover price rises from 60p to 90p in October, advertising – 12 pages per issue – costs £1,700 per page ("still dirt cheap", says Brown); and distributor Charles Harness of Periodicals In Particular now gets *Viz* into most areas of the UK. All that is lacking, indeed, is a takeover bid. No one has tried it on yet, says John Brown.

In the cosmic balance of administrative/creative talents it is fair to say that both Chris and Simon fall firmly on the creative side. Chris hates administration, he says, and has, for instance, a solution to burgeoning piles of unsolicited envelopes which involves assessing them by the way the address is written: "Big writing means they're no good. Small, neat writing suggests professionalism, which means they're more likely to be usable."

Now free newspapers take on the Royal Mail

After engaging in fierce competition with local weeklies, the freesheets are challenging Post Office deliveries

Free newspaper publishers are nothing if not direct. "Making More Money" is the title of one of the sessions at their annual conference starting in Birmingham tomorrow.

Frees are now read by 76 per cent of the population, compared with 67 per cent who read national dailies, says their trade organization, the Association of Free Newspapers (AFN). Advertising revenue had risen by an average of 20 per cent every quarter from the beginning of 1986 (£273.5 million) to the first quarter of 1988 (£431.5 million).

After a period of establishing frees to protect their monopoly paid-for papers (such as the *Manchester Evening News*, which spawned *Manchester Metro* – now with 316,892 circulation, the biggest free in the country), the big boys are now not only starting up their own frees (United Newspapers is a market leader) but also eagerly buying them up (Reed has recently acquired the Wirral Group and Thomsons the Luton Herald Group and the Northants Post).

Ian Locks, executive director of the AFN, notes proudly that this year's conference is being opened by Sir Frank Rogers, chairman of EMAP, one of the fastest growing free newspaper players, and deputy chairman of the *Daily Telegraph*. "The once maverick free newspaper groups have become respectable," he claims.

The reason is partly due to the Association of Distributors of Advertising Material, which was only started as a sub-committee of the AFN this year. Its aim is to promote free newspapers as a national medium for leaflet distribution. Over the past four years publishers have discovered, to their surprise, that their free newspaper delivery systems are ideal for other types of door-to-door deliveries. Distribution of non-addressed mail, mainly advertising, has grown fourfold from 933 million items in 1985 to an estimated 4.4 billion in 1988.

"Suddenly we're the leaders in this field," Locks says. "We distribute more items than the Post Office. It is ironic that until recently distribution was seen as a cost centre. Now we have a totally new business."

ADAM committee member Roger Sparrow says: "Our distribution network is reliable and effective for the simple reason that it forms the basis of our business." Reed companies employ 33,000 part-time distributors, each responsible for delivering to between 150 and 170 homes a week.

"We're moving from blanket distribution to targeting homes. We can offer advertisers delivery to particular postcodes and even certain types of property."

One of ADAM's main tasks is to improve this targeting. "We hope to be able to say, here is a medium which can identify the 20 per cent of homes mostly likely to buy Surf, or any other product," Locks says.

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Andrew Lycett

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The BBC's Radio Data System, announced yesterday, is an inaudible signal sent out with an FM radio and decoded by the microchip in a compatible receiver. The system's principal advantage will be to ensure the strongest available signal for Radios 1 to 4 or BBC local radio, and having a visual display of the name rather than a wavelength figure.

So far the chief attraction of RDS is obviously to the motorist, whose listening on long *journeys will be considerably* improved. The next phase, which should be feasible from next spring in the south-east, will enable the set to jump to travel flashes from whatever you happen to be listening to.

***Later it will become possible* to pre-select the type of programme you want — news, drama, music, whatever — and let the RDS set search for it. Then, for domestic sets especially, the visual display element can be expanded to carry all manner of information.**

The *possibilities are continually expanding*, but at the moment the BBC is testing the water. They have the technology, but they need to find out who wants it, and at what price. RDS is already being *fitted in Volvo cars — including* the BBC chairman's — and many other manufacturers are developing sets: at last night's launch 11 major companies were represented.

Prices will naturally start *high. This is one reason for the* concentration on car radios, whose cost is absorbed in that *of the vehicle. But already the* price is falling towards £200, and should fall much further. If, that is, Radio Data System proves to be what the listeners really want.

Nigel Andrew

Babycham grows up

The fawn swaggers and wears Raybans now as it attempts to shake off the drink's traditional image



"Babycham? I'd *love* a *Babycham*." Some people might love one, but the question is, would they admit it? Babycham sales are worth £55 million. But despite this success — *three million* regular drinkers and nine million at Christmas — it is still attempting to recover from an image typified by the cloying antics of its Disneyesque fawn.

The latest commercial, by Saatchi & Saatchi, features an ordinary secretary who transforms her power suit into a sexy outfit, and wows the guests at a party. She, of course, drinks Babycham.

It is a development of Saatchi's last commercial in which a Fifties-style *couple enter a trendy bar. Everything* stops when the girl asks for a Babycham. Whereas in that version a customer whose style credentials are obviously unimpeachable must give the drink his approval, in the latest one, the girl is confident of her own *mind: she is not concerned with* brush-offs from the doorman and the girls in the ladies' room because she has bought a bottle of Babycham.

This latest commercial was tested in the Central TV area, before moving to other regions. It will be seen in the *London area in November, and is a* radical departure from the original Babycham campaign.

Babycham was the second product to be advertised when commercial television launched in 1955. It burst on to the screen in the sentimental Walt Disney style with which it has become so strongly identified. When pubs offered little choice, Babycham became a popular drink for women and the diminutive bottle and champagne glass tended to associate it with special occasions and celebrations.

This kind of promotion persisted, although it was to become slightly more racy during the Sixties when the commercials featured loving couples, and then went through an aberration — antics on the beach with Patrick Mower — in the Seventies.





Still sparkling? The original Babycham image (above) was all candles and romance. Not much good for the trendy lager generation. The modern version is parties, smart clothes, power dressing — and a fawn in dark glasses

At this point sales began to suffer as *the brand came under threat from the* growing popularity of wine and spirits. Four years ago the makers of Babycham, Showerings, part of the Allied Lyons stable, explored the possibility of boosting sales. Their research established that although its *core drinkers still felt affection for the* drink they were embarrassed to order it in what they considered sophisticated situations. Yet Babycham was in line with the new trend towards lighter, lower-alcohol drinking. Showerings decided Babycham had plenty of potential.

The first step was to win back the core drinkers who were drinking Babycham less frequently, and Saatchi's first ad returned to the Walt Disney style to re-establish its traditional *image. The next problem*, however, was how to update that image.

"Babycham's *advertising had* become out of touch with the contemporary woman," explains Paul Bainsfair, of Saatchi. "Our task was to express the message in contemporary *terms while retaining the brand's* heritage." Hence, for example, a strutting rather than frolicking deer, wearing Raybans and appearing only as a symbol at the end of a commercial.



Babycham has a mass market appeal, largely with women between 18 and 25. If London trendies observing the last ad ("Trendy Joint"), with its heavy emphasis on presenting Babycham as fashionable, thought they were the target drinkers, they were wrong. The capital is a poor market for the drink.

"The danger in being trendy," says Bainsfair, "is that things go out of fashion. Babycham is aimed at ordinary people."

The advertising's role is to make people feel confident enough to order a *Babycham. Many people still* remember it as the first alcoholic drink they were introduced to, and feel embarrassed about ordering it a couple of years later." Rumour has it *that Saatchis originally planned to* have the barman blow dust off the Babycham bottle. This was aborted, as was the proposed final catchline: "Babycham, so out that it's in".

Research by the agency for the latest commercial revealed that target women now wanted a more contemporary image.

"The woman we're aiming for is in her early to mid twenties, and she's actually not very confident," explains Bainsfair. "The transformation seen in the current commercial is how she would like to behave."

"Trendy Joint" was intended to attack the embarrassment factor *surrounding Babycham. According to* Gray Olliver, marketing director at Showerings: "Just as in 'Trendy Joint', all the trendies stop and think. We wanted people to do the same." And he is confident that Babycham is moving in the right direction: sales have increased by 41 per cent in two years.

Lorna Vee

BYLINES

Revolution? Missed it

The programme which John Birt, deputy director-general of the BBC, heralded as setting new standards in television current affairs did not seem to seize the attentions of the nation's political leaders and opinion formers.

When they should have been watching Jonathan Dimbleby in BBC1's *On The Record* on Sunday, it seems that SLD leader *Paddy Ashdown was writing* a speech, Labour's deputy leader Roy Hattersley was driving to London down the M1, David Steel was at a conference in Pisa, Sir Robin Day was heading for the SDP conference in Torquay, and Brian Walden, former presenter of *Weekend World*, was in the garden planting grass seed.

Labour's communications director, Peter Mandelson, saw it *but had mixed feelings. He praised the programme's structure* and striking crocodile graphics set to rumba music but added: "The item on the party's arcane selection procedures was not a very good choice for the first programme.

"And if the Crosstalk slot had been about something less boring than David Owen it would have had a bit more crossfire."

Out of tune

Plans to create 20 "community" radio stations have divided the Association of Independent Radio Contractors, which last week issued a forthright statement attacking the Independent Broadcasting Authority, which will oversee the scheme. The statement complained that the plan might not be legal and would be *unfair competition. It then* asked why the IBA had not consulted its existing contractors? The response was instant, from the AIRC's own members. Several wanted to dissociate themselves from *the statement, saying they* welcomed the plan ... and complaining that the AIRC had not consulted them before issuing its condemnation.

Bad news?

***USA Today: The Television Show*, the nightly news programme (average time per item 26 seconds) launched on 156 US television stations 10 days ago by the pioneering all-colour newspaper, has not won favour with America's media elite. John O'Connor, television critic of The New York Times, calls it "information diarrhoea" and says: "It goes nowhere, you remember nothing. It's not journalism at all, but they don't want to call it entertainment." The show is produced by Grant Tinker, a man whose name is synonymous with quality in US television, and Connor laments: "A lot of intelligent people in television news think this is the way to go."**

Home truths

Three hundred thousand readers responded to the invitation in the first issue of *Catalyst*, Austin-Rover's free quarterly (editor, Michael *Parkinson) to fill in a* questionnaire asking what kinds of editorial they prefer. Features on home and gardening were most popular, sport and women's interests least.

Briefly

Government and industry spend between £550 million and £881 million a year on public relations, according to *a study carried out by* Cranfield School of Management for the Institute of Public Relations. The study estimates that nearly 35,000 people work in PR... Birmingham is an appropriate place for at least one debate scheduled for the city's Film and Television Festival, which starts this weekend. Patricia Reed Scott, director of the Mayor's Office of Film, Theatre and Broadcasting, *will* be one of the speakers in a discussion on how provincial cities can do more to attract large-scale film and television producers... For those of you who cannot tell one man in a grey suit from another man in a grey suit, help is at hand. ITN has published a guide to the *United States presidential* election, helpfully including details of past elections. *ITN's America — The '88 Vote* costs £3.95.

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*Estimated scale following forthcoming pay award.
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Secretary for the Food Development Director

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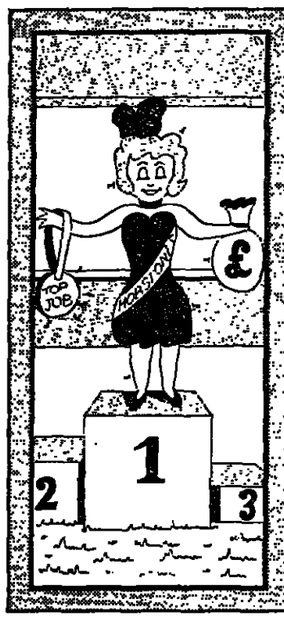
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COMPUTERMANIA. Trainee position with a well known Publishing House in the West End for a young Secretary who has a very real interest in computers. You will be trained to handle candidates, deal with budgeting, forecasting - all involved with the world of books and travel publications. The career structure is excellent, so they've asked for someone with the potential to move up. Typing should be about 40wpm for typing content of 30% only. Age 18+ to £14,000. Please phone Meredith Scott Recruitment 583 0068.

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HOUSE and Garden - One-off opportunity for a sparky self-starter to join this small, exclusive Kensington design studio. They require an Intern/Assistant for private residences - so you need to display confidence and panache when dealing with their VIP clientele. Your role will include going out on site to take the clients' brief; co-ordinating builders, painters, plasterers; ordering fabrics. In short managing the design project ! An eye for colour and detail and an interest in interior design essential. Rusty shorthand and good typing requested. *Age 18+. Call 01 493 5787* Gordon Yates Consultants.

INTERIOR Design: Very organised numerate young sec with good typing to lead Dir, assist and run small studio. This is a real career opportunity. 21+ c£10,000. 01-730 9379 Jaeger Careers Rec. Cons.

ITALIAN Bilingual Sec for hotel project architects. Constant liaison with Italy. Circa £12,000. Link Language Appts 408 2180

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Capital booming on

As soon as an article appears in a newspaper suggesting that the property boom is over, an estate agent will telephone to refute it all and say that "we have had our busiest month". In London, where the latest example is to be found, there is evidence of the levelling of prices and a slowing-down in the increase, and that came before yesterday's forecast from the Halifax Building Society that house price inflation would fall sharply next year.

The first agent to ring was Courtenay, operating in Battersea and Clapham, which indeed said the firm had been very busy in August. Both views are correct, because within the general picture there are details that differ.

The local area of Battersea and Clapham is one in demand from young professionals, most of whom have no children yet and therefore are not under pressure to take holidays in August. It is also an area with prices beyond the reach of many first-time buyers and thus was not as badly affected by the ending of multiple tax relief as others.

What is important at a time when the market is changing is that a property for sale can offer something extra, be it special facilities and features or straightforward value for money.

Several new developments in London now are offering the former, and two of them are in Battersea.

Plantation Wharf at Battersea Reach on the south bank of the Thames was originally a wharf specializing in sugar cane from the West Indies, and the eight-acre site is intended as a working "village" again, in which commerce and homes will come together in a living and working community.

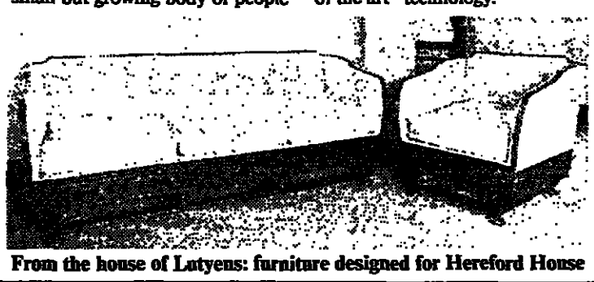
There are riverside penthouse apartments and what are described as residential "ateliers" — three-bedroom and four-bedroom houses with commercial space at the rear.

In the first phase of the scheme, which was virtually sold out in a matter of weeks, there are 18 ateliers in a pedestrian mews, every one of which has two bathrooms, reception rooms, a balcony and a conservatory. At the rear there is a work space of about 1,000 sq ft on the ground floor with an office above reached by a spiral staircase. The house and the working area are completely integrated.

This concept, catering for a small but growing body of people who with new technology can work almost from home, has been well received, and all the ateliers, costing £345,000-£475,000, have been reserved. There are more phases to come in this development by Broadwell Land, with ateliers included in every one, and the agents are Jackson-Stops & Staff and Jones Lang Wootton. Most of the buyers are owner-occupiers, and a few are investors, and the enthusiastic take-up of the first units has led to a reassessment of marketing plans.

The first phase of 400,000 sq ft of commercial and residential space will be followed next year by a further 350,000 sq ft on the old Prices Candle factory site.

Another Battersea development is Windsor Court, comprising 14 flats and houses in a Grade II listed schoolhouse in Vicarage Crescent, Battersea Village. The scheme, by the Windsor Property Company, is a combination of a restored 19th-century building with the latest 20th-century "state of the art" technology.



From the house of Lutyens: furniture designed for Hereford House

The conversion of the school, built on land donated in 1851 by Earl Spencer, was planned by the American architect Rick Mather and realized by Stephen Marsden Associates and Julian Arendt Associates. In addition, an interior design competition was arranged with the KLC School of Interior Design, in which every mature student created one apartment.

From this fund of ideas and designs it is not surprising that the 14 houses and apartments are all different. Every one has a garden, a terrace, and a patio or interior Japanese hanging garden, and two have a waterfall or a fountain. There are glass domes, glass walls and conservatories, and the original double-height arched windows have been used for double-height rooms with minstrel galleries or balconies.

The scheme includes flats and houses with one to three bedrooms, two reception rooms and one or two bathrooms. The more normal modern electronic equipment includes a video entry system, burglar alarms and remotely controlled gates to the development.

More exotic are the remote control that can set the water heat in the whirlpool bath from the bed, and the operation of blinds and curtains by remote control.

Prices are from £165,000 to £365,000 for a 150-year lease through Kenwood, of Lavender Hill, and Hitchcocks, of Battersea High Street.

Goddard & Smith is selling two developments showing that the combination of homes and work is becoming more popular. It is already marketing Blades at Putney on the river, which has six studio-workshops of 550 sq ft below accommodation of three bedrooms and two bathrooms. These start at £400,000.

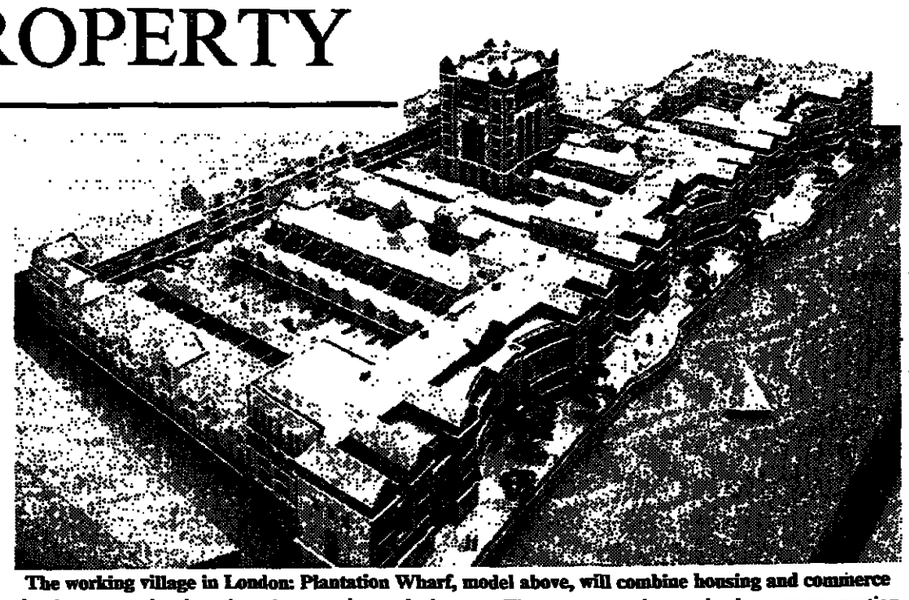
Now it is selling Brunel Studios at Hackney, which has a mews of one-bedroom and two-bedroom flats, and 10 craft-studio homes overlooking the Grand Union Canal and Victoria Park. The scheme has been developed by McHawk, a joint venture company of Alfred MacAlpine and Speyhawk. It will include a canalside walkway with wrought-iron trellises and balconies, arched windows and street lighting, evoking a Victorian atmosphere.

The properties combine a 420 sq ft ground-floor studio workshop with two reception rooms and two bedrooms. The agents report interest from small traders, including manufacturing jewellers, ceramic artists and potters, and the prices start at £172,500.

The "something extra" at Hereford House in Mayfair, which has been converted into 15 large penthouses and apartments of three to five bedrooms, is the Lutyens connection. Hereford House, completed in 1930 at a cost of £1 million, was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, who in 1928 had submitted sketches to the Duke of Westminster for a new building to offer commanding views of London's skyline from one of Mayfair's most prestigious sites in North Row. *The Times* then described it as demonstrating the "skilful manner of his stone binding of a brick mass".

Hereford House has been carefully refurbished and original features have been retained, and to enhance the Lutyens connection the developers, Charron Properties, commissioned Candia Lutyens, granddaughter of Sir Edwin, to produce a range of furniture for it. Her firm, Lutyens Design Associates, recreates the original furniture designs of her grandfather, and she has produced the New Delhi Suite of sofa and chairs, of which the original is in the Viceroy's House, Delhi.

Hereford House has a resident porter, closed-circuit security, and a business centre. The spacious and elegant apartments are priced at £595,000-£750,000, and the three penthouses, one of which covers more than 5,000 sq ft, are £1,150,000-£1,850,000, through Hamptons and Debenham Tewson Residential.



The working village in London: Plantation Wharf, model above, will combine housing and commerce

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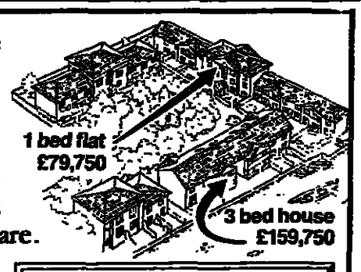
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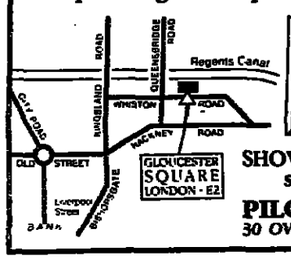
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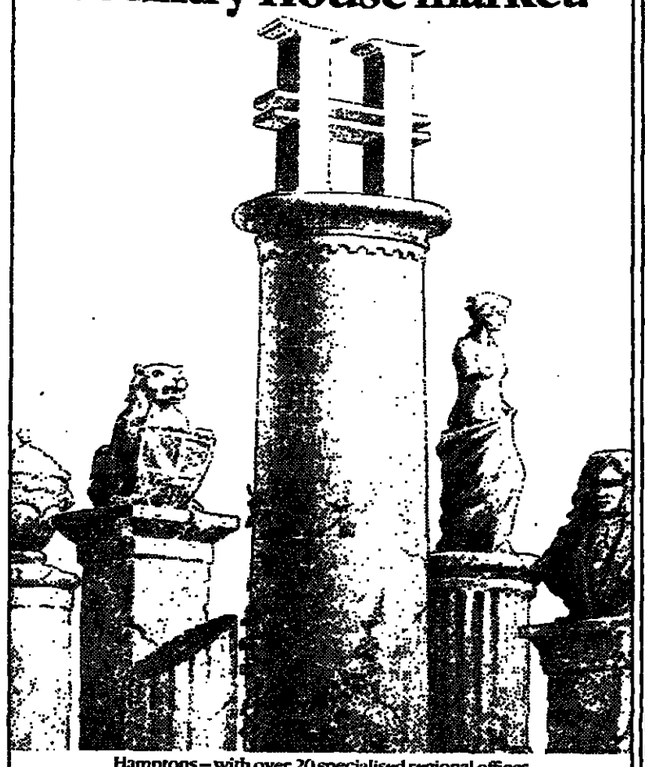
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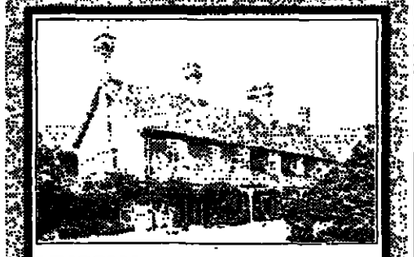
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Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent, on the relationship between managers and their charges

Smart money-men and smooth operatives

Boxers are no longer the monosyllabic, bent-nosed, head-scratching stereotype of old. The world-ranked ones dress like City gents and talk like bankers and generally are high on what Americans call "smarts". They can reel off "quotes" as *fast as tabloids can* peel off pound notes. Sylvester Mittee, the former Commonwealth welterweight champion, once said: "I'm in it for the money, not for my health, the associations, ethos or titles."

Recently, boxers have been talking quite a bit in the papers and the *courts* about their problems with their managers. Ever since Barry McGuigan's row over money with B. J. Eastwood, 2½ years ago, disputes with managers appear to have become the fashion. Even Tyson got into the act.

Terry Marsh walked out on *Frank Warren; Kirkland Laing and* Lloyd Honeyghan tried to sack Mickey Duff; then, the other day, two more Eastwood boxers, *Herol* Graham, the British middleweight champion, and Dave McAuley, the *flyweight chef from Larne*, had their say in the papers about their manager's money dealings with *them*.

Finally, Nigel Benn had an injunction lifted to allow him to box on without Warren until the next round in the courts.

In the old days, in the 1940s and 1950s, the boxer-manager divorce rate was not so high. Perhaps this was *because there were no huge* television fees for bouts those days, no promoter-managers, fewer promoters, *and perhaps people felt* greater loyalty. Henry Cooper and his manager, Jim Wicks, were said to have worked on a shake of hands.

The separation trend really seems to have started with John Conteh, the first of the big-money chasers. In 1974, after winning the world light-heavyweight title by beating Jorge Ahmada, he broke with his manager, George Francis, and went in search of his fortune with a little help from friends — and relations.

It did not work out quite as he hoped and in his book, *I, Conteh, he admits that he made a mistake* in not keeping Duff as his matchmaker. According to Duff, "He did not know that I had Bob Foster stripped to get him that fight with Ahmada."

Managers who, through shrewd matchmaking, have helped boxers win world titles or given them their big chance cannot be doing too badly by them. Marsh had a chance to make £240,000, Graham was lined up for £100,000 revenge world title bout with Sumbu Kalambay, the World Boxing Association champion, McAuley had two world title bouts in Belfast, and Benn, when last seen with Warren, was in a BMW in the fast lane for a world title bout. Even McGuigan must *admit that his present comfortable* financial position is due in some part to Eastwood.

But when a manager wears a promoter's hat as well there can be a danger of a conflict of interests, particularly when big money is involved, television money. With television paying six and seven-figure amounts for bouts it is not surprising that there are outside whisperings in boxers' ears when they are on the threshold of a world title challenge.

The British Boxing Board of Control should act to stop such outside interference so that that managers can get on with the job of managing. But it should also safeguard boxers' interests by forcing *managers to lodge television* contracts with the Board and see that the boxer get his 22½ per cent of television money.

Instead of waiting for boxer-manager fight contracts to drop through its letter box, the Board should be present at the signing of deals between boxer and manager and see that the boxer knows exactly what his remuneration will be. Boxers often part with 50 per cent of their purses before tax.

But in boxing there is a saying, "You can be smart, and too smart, but not three smart", meaning too clever by half. The board should find out if managers are becoming three smart wearing two hats.

CYCLING

Kelly says he has found new sponsor

By Peter Bryan

Sean Kelly, computer-rated the world's No. 1 professional, expects to sign a contract with a new team for 1989 this week. *The Spanish soft drinks* company, Kas, his sponsor, is pulling out of the sport and Kelly's name has been linked with several teams for next season.

Speaking from his home near Brussels, the Irishman, aged 32, confirmed that negotiations about his future had been narrowed down to one key *sponsor. He will* lead a five-strong Kas team in the Nissan tour, which starts in Dublin on September 28, and before that competes in tomorrow's Paris-Brussels classic and in a Belgian event on Sunday.

Stephen Roche, the 1987 world champion, is another top rider on the move. His departure from the Fagor team appears imminent after only one season of a three-year contract during which he has been mainly out of action with injuries. Roche is likely to be joined in a new team by Malcolm, Elliott, this year's winner of the Kelloggs Tour of Britain.

The Fagor rider, Sean Yates, who won a stage in this year's Tour de France, has signed to ride next year for the American *7-Eleven team while another* Briton, Robert Millar, also plans to leave the squad.

CRICKET

Pakistan move swiftly to complete their largest win

From Richard Streeton, Karachi

Pakistan took the last five Australian wickets in 90 minutes here yesterday to win the first Test match by an innings and 188 runs, the largest margin of victory against any country in their history. Iqbal Qasim, the left-arm spinner, soon dismissed Border and Waugh, the last two main batsmen, and Australia were all out in their second innings for 116.

Iqbal used the crumbling, dusty pitch better than the other Pakistan spinners and he finished with four for 49. In the match he claimed nine for 84, from 64 overs, the reward for some fine bowling. Almost to the end, though, the Australians felt they were victims of dubious umpiring decisions, even if they did manage to hide any open dissent.

Border and Waugh resumed batting with Australia 66 for five and stayed another half-hour before Waugh was given out stumped, beaten moving out against Iqbal. However, Waugh turned and seemed to have grounded his bat behind the crease before Saleem Yousuf could gather the ball and remove the bails. Border was bowled by Iqbal two overs later by a ball that passed between his legs as he thrust forward a leg to pad it away.

Healy swung his bat and hit four fours before Abdul Qadir took two wickets with successive balls. Healy sliced a drive and Shoaib Mohammad held a good catch at deep backward point; May was leg before as he stretched forward. Reid averted the hat-trick with an off drive for two and the game ended when Dodemaide charged out against Tauseef Ahmed and was stumped.

PAKISTAN: First Innings 469 for 9 dec (Javed Miandad 211, Shoaib Mohammad 94; T B A May 4 for 97, B A Reid 4 for 109).
AUSTRALIA: First Innings 165 (P L Taylor 54 not out; Iqbal Qasim 5 for 36).

Second Innings

G R Marsh lbw b Tauseef	16
P L Taylor c Ijaz b Aamer Malik	2
D C Boon b Qadir	4
D M Jones c Ijaz b Qadir	4
G M Wood lbw b Qasim	15
*A R Border b Qasim	18
S R Waugh st Yousuf b Qasim	13
†I A Healey c Shoaib b Qadir	21
A I C Dodemaide st Yousuf b Qadir	2
T B A May lbw b Qadir	0
B A Reid not out	8
Extras (b 6, lb 7)	13
Total	116

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-10, 3-15, 4-46, 5-50, 6-80, 7-93, 8-104, 9-104.
BOWLING: Mudassar 3-0-5-0; Aamer Malik 2-2-0-1; Qasim 25-14-49-4; Qadir 13-4-33-3; Tauseef 21.4-13-16-2.
Man of the match: Javed Miandad.
Umpires: Mahboob Shah and Khizar Hayat.

● Pakistan have named 16 players for the second Test match in Faisalabad starting on Friday.

PARTY: Javed Miandad (capt), Mudassar Nazar, Rameez Raja, Shoaib Mohammad, Salim Malik, Aamer Malik, Salim Yousuf, Ijaz Ahmed, Iqbal Qasim, Abdul Qadir, Tauseef Ahmed, Mohsin Kamal, Mushtaq Ahmed, Moin-ul-Aliq, Anwar Miandad, Saleem Jaffer.



Adding fuel to the fire: Waugh is given out stumped yesterday, one of several isions the Australians found unsatisfactory during the Karachi match

YACHTING

School craft tops class

The inshore section of the Sigma 33 national championships will begin in the Solent on Friday with an outsider in the lead after *the offshore race, with the* season's other winning crews bunched closely behind (a Special Correspondent writes).

The unconventional nature of the long offshore course, set by *the Royal Southern* Yacht Club, left competitors with tricky navigational decisions. Last year's champion, Tim Law, in Another Fiasco, chose wrongly and later retired after hitting Bembridge Ledge buoy.

TYPT, the British Performance Sailing School yacht, surprised many with a convincing win.

Although the scoring mechanism loads the points on the offshore, strong challenges to *the first three yachts* are expected to emerge from Circe, sailed by the designer D *Thomas, Popje in which* J Ewart has been showing late season form, Sabre and Blaze.

RESULTS: Long offshore race: 1. TYPT (BPS School); 2. Sibilation (P Nicholson); 3. Brighter Work (G Fairchild); 4, Popje (J Ewart); 5. Sabre (J G, J R and J N White); 6. Circe (D Thomas); 7, Blaze (W McNeill).

RUGBY UNION: THE ARMY ARE LIKELY TO GET INTO STEP WITH THEIR CIVILIAN CLUB COLLEAGUES

A public relations exercise planned

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The Army believe it will be necessary to restructure their season so as to march in step with the Rugby Football Union's fixed league Saturdays. "We need to relieve the pressure on our players," Colonel Andy Hoon, chairman of the Army Rugby Union committee, said yesterday. "At the same time we want to encourage more Army players to appear in the highest echelon of the senior game as they can."

The Army, who have revamped their administration during the close season, recognise that players appearing for their country — as Will Carling did last season for England — can perform a public relations exercise for the service, too. Carling, the Harlequins centre, has now left the Army and takes *up a post in the oil industry later* this month but the Army are hopeful that players such as *John Steele* at Northampton and Dean Ryan at Saracens can establish themselves not only with their clubs but at representative level, too.

The Combined Services meet Australia at Aldershot on November 22, having had two warm-up games earlier in the month, against Bath (November 2) and Public School Wanderers (November 9). In addition, the Combined Services under-21 side, who play Wales and Scotland in the second half of the season, have arranged a fixture with the England Students, to be played in March before their game with Scotland at Murrayfield on March 29.

● Both the internationals to be played by the Australians on tour this season, against England on November 5 and Scotland on November 19, will be *handled by a New Zealand* referee. Though no name has yet been presented to the respective unions, it could well be David Bishop, who officiated in both England's internationals against the Wallabies during the summer.

Whoever is sent, it will be the first time that he will have coped with the law amendments introduced by the International Rugby Football Board last March, which do not come into affect in the southern hemisphere until next year.

BBC tries to end clubs' ban

BBC officials are to have talks with the Welsh Rugby Union this week following the refusal of leading Welsh clubs to allow their matches to be televized live (Peter Bills writes).

The ban blocks the agreed terms of a contract jointly negotiated by television officials and officers of the WRU. But one solution put forward yesterday was that live coverage *might be permitted at some of* the matches played by the Western Samoans, who make a seven-match tour of Wales this autumn.

A BBC spokesman in Cardiff said: "The original number of games agreed for live coverage was eight, including the cup final next May plus Wales's internationals against Western Samoa and Romania, both before Christmas. As we have done two club games, only three other fixtures remain to be found."

The WRU is embarrassed over the affair because it has been unable to deliver on the terms it negotiated. The clubs regard the situation as a result of the Union negotiating without their knowledge or approval.

Three new faces in Irish party

By George Ace

Noel Mannion, from the Corinthians club in Connache, and Brian Rigney, from Bective *Rangers, are two big but* comparatively unknown players who have been named in an *Irish party of 34 for a two-day* training session at Lansdowne Road on October 1 and 2. *Another newcomer is Fergus* Dunlea, the competent Lansdowne and Leinster full back.

None of the three may be named in the team or substitutes for the *opening* international against Weston Samoa at Lansdowne Road on October 29, but there is every possibility that by the end of the season a lot more will be known about them.

Dunlea has the stiffest hurdle to climb with Danaher and Rainey also in the squad and MacNeill a serious contender when he returns from a business sojourn from the United States in November. But Dunlea has had two impressive games against Edinburgh and District and the South of Scotland.

Apart from Dunlea, Mannion and Rigney, there are five other uncapped players in a squad that includes Nigel Carr.

SQUAD: Full backs: F Dunlea (Lansdowne), P Danaher (Lansdowne), P Rainey (Ballymena); Wings: T Ringland (Ballymena), J Sexton (Lansdowne), K Crossan (Instonians), P Haycock (Terenure College); Centres: P Clinch (Lansdowne), B Mullin (London Irish), V Cunningham (St Mary's College), M Kiernan (Dolphin); Fly Halves: P Dean (St Mary's College), R Keyes (Constitution); Scrum halves: F Aherne (Lansdowne), M Bradley (Constitution), R Brady (Ballymena); Loosehead props: J Fitzgerald (Young Munster), T Clancy (Lansdowne), N Popplewell (Greystones); Tight head props: D Fitzgerald (Lansdowne), J McCoy (Bangor); Hookers: S Smith (Ballymena), J McDonald (Malone), T Kingston (Dolphin); Locks: D Lenihan (Constitution), B Rigney (Bective Rangers), N Francis (London Irish), W Anderson (Dungannon); Flankers: P O'Hara (Sunday's Well), P Matthews (Wanderers), N Carr (Ards), D McBride (Malone); No. 8s: M Gibson (London Irish), N Mannion (Corinthians).

● MOSCOW: An enterprising yet naive Soviet Union went down to Romania's superior expertise and cunning by 28-18 in an entertaining game in the second round of the tournament sponsored by the Soviet sports daily, *Sovietsky Sport*, yesterday.

The Romanian tactics of keeping the ball infield worked well and they were 19 points in front at half-time.

VOLLEYBALL

Aquila are shaping up well at top

By Roddy Mackenzie

Star Aquila, who have risen from the fourth division of the Royal Bank English men's league to the first in successive seasons, have made an auspicious start to life at the top. The Leatherhead team defeated *Liverpool City, the beaten* English Cup finalists last season, 15-10, 15-5, 15-13 away from home *in their opening league match* on Saturday and, ominously enough, Steve Williams, the club secretary, felt they "didn't play particularly well".

Aquila, sponsored by a public house-restaurant, have stepped up their training in recent months and have the credentials — with four of their starting six having won full international caps for England — to stir up the leading pack this season.

"No team has ever managed to go right through the divisions and then win division one and, although it is very early in the season, I would be interested to see how many teams have gone to Liverpool in *the last couple of* seasons and won in straight sets." Williams said.

John Nash, the coach to the reigning league champions, Malory, rates Liverpool as the *team most likely to stand in the* way of his side this season and that assessment will be judged to *some extent this weekend, when* the two clubs meet.

Reebok Redwood Lodge made a satisfactory start to their league campaign with a 15-0, 12-15, 15-0, 15-8 win over Time Out Spark, the early-season pacesetters last year.

In the women's first division of the English league, Sovereign Leasing Sale, the champions, had the best possible start, beating Britannia, league runners-up last season, in four sets, 15-8, 15-9, 4-15, 15-12. Sale face another difficult match this weekend, when they take on Ashcombe Syenco, the national cup winners last season.

THE TIMES MIDLAND DEGREE COURSE VACANCY SERVICE

Today, The Times publishes a full list of the vacancies remaining in British Universities and Polytechnics for degree courses in Law, Business *Administration*, Architecture, Creative Arts, Education, Agriculture and Mass Communications.

The lists are compiled by The Times Network Systems Limited, in conjunction with Midland Bank, from information supplied by the Universities' Central Council on Admissions (UCCA) and the Polytechnics Central Admissions Systems (PCAS). The database information on all courses is updated every 24 hours. For the university vacancies the figures in brackets indicate the course code used by UCCA and will help students now in the Clearing system to determine whether the course is similar to their original choice. The number in brackets next to the university name indicates the A level score required for that course before an applicant can be considered, counting 5 points for an 'A' grade, 4 points for a 'B' grade etc. Some of the polytechnics may offer several courses with different codes all appearing under a particular course title. These courses are modular and will include study in a variety of subjects, one of which is in the title.

Applicants should consult their PCAS and UCCA handbooks for more information about the courses offered.

TTNS provides full lists of all degree course vacancies, available to the 5,500 educational establishments, including 70 local authority careers offices who subscribe to the TTNS database. The data can be accessed by typing 'Clearing' at the system prompt.

***The information is also available on ECCTIS* and Prestel, or by calling 0272-217721 for Polytechnic vacancies or 0272-217244 for University vacancies.**

Agriculture (D200): Wales, Aberystwyth (6); Wales, Bangor (6); Belfast (7); London, Wye (6); Newcastle (6); Nottingham (6); Reading (9).
Animal Sciences (D220): London, Wye (7); Nottingham (6).
Physiology Biochemistry & Nutrition of Farm Animals (D224): Reading (9).
Genetics (D240): Wales, Aberystwyth (6); Belfast (8); Nottingham (6).
Crop Technology and Resource Management (D241): Bath (7).
Crop Technology and Resource Management (D244): Bath (7).
Horticulture (D250): London, Wye (6); Nottingham (6); Reading (7); Strathclyde (6).
Landscape Management (D255): Reading (8).
Agriculture with Agricultural Economics (D2L1): Wales, Bangor (6).
Agri/Business Management (D2N1): Newcastle (11).
Forestry (D300): Aberdeen (7); Edinburgh (8)
Food Science (D400): Belfast (8); Leeds (6); London, King's (9); Nottingham (6); Reading (8); Strathclyde (8).
Food Science (Chemistry) (D404): London, King's (9).
Food Science (Physiology) (D405): London, King's (9).
Food Science (Management Studies) (D408): London, King's (9).
Food Technology (D421): Belfast (7); Reading (8).
Agricultural Botany (D820): Wales, Aberystwyth (6); Belfast (8); London, Wye (7); Nottingham (6); Reading (7).
Agricultural Zoology (D830): Belfast (8); Leeds (6).
Agricultural and Food Microbiology (D840): Belfast (8).
Agricultural Biochemistry (D850): Wales, Aberystwyth (6); Newcastle (5); Nottingham (6).
Agricultural Chemistry (D860): Belfast (8); Leeds (5).
Agricultural Technology (D902): Wales, Aberystwyth (6).
Agricultural Science (Animal Science) (D942): Leeds (5).
Animal Nutrition and Physiology (D946): Leeds (5).
Soil Science (D960): Nottingham (6); Reading (6).
Soil & Crop Science (D962): Reading (7).
Soil and Land Resource Science (D968): Newcastle (5).
Agricultural Mechanisation Management (DH23): Newcastle (5)
BSc Architecture (3yr) (K100): Belfast (9); Heriot-Watt (10).
Building Environment/Building Engineering (K220): Bath (8); Strathclyde (7).
Civil/Structural Engineering (K222): Bath (8); Strathclyde (7).
Building Environment/Building Services Engineering (K224): Bath (8).
Building Services Engineering (K240): Heriot-Watt (8); Liverpool (6).
Quantity Surveying and Construction Economics (K233): Salford (8).
BSc Environmental Planning (3yr) (K450): Belfast (9).
Urban Policy and Management/Chemistry (KF41): Aston (11).
Society and Government/Urban Policy and Management (KM41): Aston (11).
Urban Policy and Management/Business Administration (KN41): Aston (12).
German/Urban Policy and Management (KR42): Aston (11).
Managerial and Administrative Studies (N128): Aston (14).
Transport Management (N920): Aston (10).
Transport Management (N921): Aston (9).
Management and Chemical Sciences (NF11): UMIST (10).
Accountancy and Finance (NN34): Heriot-Watt (10).
Business Administration/French (NR11): Aston (12).
Business Administration-German (NR12): Aston (12).
International Business/French (NRC1): Aston (13).
International Business/German (NRD2): Aston (13).
International Business and Languages (NT19) French/German: heriot-watt (10);.
Music (Blues) (W302): Aberdeen (7); Cardiff (7); Edinburgh (2); London, King's (8).
Musicianship (W304): Leicester (6).
Education (BEd) (Hons) Primary (X104) Junior (4yr): London, Goldsmith's (2).
Education (BEd) (Hons) Secondary/Craft Design and Technology (4yr) (X105): London, Goldsmith's (2).
Education with Mathematics (X1G1): Warwick (5).
Home Economics (X1N7): Cardiff (5).
Education with Music (X1W3): Warwick (6):

Polytechnics

Accountancy or Finance
Birmingham: N721.
Brighton: NN34.
Hatfield: N121.
Leeds: NN3K.
Leicester: Y400.
London (City): N121, N400, Y400.
London (North): N400.
Thames: L114, NR5C, NR6F, NR5K.
Manchester: NN34.
London (North East): N3N4.
Stafford (North): N121.
Oxford: FN34, FNH4, HN64.
Plymouth: NN34.
Dorset (HEd): N121, N301.
Ealing (HEd): L100, N121.
Essex (HEd): N122.
Humber (HEd): NN34

Agricultural Biology
Coventry Lanchester: C111.
Plymouth: C120, Y400.
Wolverhampton: D901.

Agricultural Engineering
Wolverhampton: H331.

Agriculture/Agric Technology
Hatfield: D901.
Plymouth: Y400.
Wolverhampton: D901.
Essex (HEd): D900.

Architecture
London (South Bank): K100.

Art and Design
Manchester: Y416.
Middlesex: FW91, FWX1.
Oxford: LW89, WX93.

Building or Construction
Brighton: K201.
Bristol: K201.
Coventry Lanchester: H201, H266, K201.
Lancashire: K201.
Liverpool: H201, K201.
London (Central): K201.
London (South Bank): H201, J973, K100, K201, K281.
Sheffield: K251.
Teeside: H201.
Wales: H201, K201.
Bolton (HEd): H201.

Business Information Technology
Birmingham: G560.
Hatfield: N121, Y100.
Huddersfield: G561.
Kingston: GN5C.
Leeds: N140.
London (Central): N900.
London (City): N9R1.
London (South Bank): G101.
Thames: NR5C, NR6F, NR5K.
Middlesex: G1NC.
Stafford (North): HN71.
Dorset (HEd): G561.
Humber (HEd): GN51

Business Studies
Birmingham: G560.
Coventry Lanchester: N121, Y600.
Hatfield: N121.
Kingston: F1NC, GN5C.
Leicester: N1HR.
London (Central): N900.
London (City): N121.
London (North): G5N1, N400.
Thames: NR5C, NR6F, NR5K.
Middlesex: HN31, HN61.
Newcastle: H780, N980.
Stafford (North): N121.
Oxford: FN34, FNH4, HN64.
Sheffield: N1RF.
Dorset (HEd): H120, M901, N121, N301, N721.
Ealing (HEd): N121, NM79.
Essex (HEd): N122.
Humber (HEd): GN51, N1T9, NN34.

Cartography
Coventry Lanchester: F801.
London (North East): FH82.
Oxford: CF18, DF48, FF18, FF68, FG85, FH86, FK84, FL88, FR82, FW83.

Combined Studies (Arts)
Hatfield: Y100, Y400.
Kingston: R100.
London (North): RR12.
London (North East): L100.
Sunderland: LR32, LR72, LR82, MR12, OR32, RR12, RV21, RV27.
Wolverhampton: Y609.
Humber (HEd): Y301.

Communication Engineering
Birmingham: H601.
Huddersfield: GH5P.
Leicester: G561.
London (Central): H600.
London (North): H620.
Thames: H621.
Manchester: HH65.
Newcastle: H620.
Plymouth: H621.
Teeside: H611.
Essex (HEd): H621.

Communication, Media or Visual Studies
London (North East): Y200.
Oxford: LW89, WX93.
Plymouth: L4L6, L4LM.
Dorset (HEd): Y400

Countryside Management
Plymouth: Y400.
Essex (HEd): D900.
Humber (HEd): Y400.

Dance
Leicester: W900

Drama
Leicester: W900.

Economics
Coventry Lanchester: K421, L100.
Leeds: NN3K.
London (City): Y400.
Thames: L114.
Middlesex: L147, LL18.
Newcastle: RR1F, RR1K, RR1V, RR2K, RR2V, RR4V.
London (North East): L100.
Stafford (North): N121.
Portsmouth: LL18.
Sheffield: N1RF.
Sunderland: BL1C, CL1C, FL2C, FL3C, FL6C, GL1C, GL5C.
Wolverhampton: FL1G, FL9C, GL1C, GL5C, JL9C, L100, L1R1, L1R2, Y401.
Cambridge (An/Tec): LR11, LR14.
Dorset (HEd): N121, N301.
Ealing (HEd): L100, NM79, Y200.
Humber (HEd): Y402.

Education (Not Itt)
London (North East): Y200.
Oxford: DX43, FX33, FX63, FXH3, HX63, RX23, WX33, WX93.
Plymouth: L4LM.

Education (Teacher Training)
Oxford: CX11, DX41, FX11, FX31, FX61, FXH1, GX11, GX51, HX61, RX11, TX91, VX11, WX31.

Estate Management
Kingston: N8K2.
Plymouth: Y400.
Trent: MN9R.

European Business
Brighton: N1J9.
Coventry Lanchester: N121.
Leeds: N140.
Middlesex: L147.
Sheffield: N1RF.
Humber (HEd): N1T9.

Food Marketing Science
Plymouth: Y400.
Sheffield: D451.

Furniture Production Management
Buckingham (HEd): J451.

Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management
Birmingham: N721.
Brighton: N721.
Huddersfield: BN4R.
London (North): N720.
Manchester: N721.
Oxford: CN17, DN47, FN17, FN37, FNH7, HN67, NR72, NW73
Sheffield: N701.
Dorset (HEd): N721.
Ealing (HEd): NM79.

Housing
Leeds: N750.
London (Central): K472.
London (South Bank): N750.
Thames: K300.
Sheffield: M900, MN9T.
Trent: MN9R.
Humber (HEd): Y400

Industrial Economics
Coventry Lanchester: L100.
London (North East): H7N1.
Wolverhampton: L100, L1R1, L1R2.

International Business
Coventry Lanchester: N121, Y600.
Thames: NR5C, NR5F, NR5K.
Sheffield: N1RF
Dorset (HEd): N301.

Land Management
Leeds: K464.
London (South Bank): K401.
London (North East): FH82.
Plymouth: Y400.
Trent: MN9R.
Essex: D900

Landscape Architecture
Thames: K300.

Languages for Business
Leeds: N140, NN3K.
London (Central): N900.
Sheffield: N1RF
Wolverhampton: RR1G RR1L RR1V RR2L RR2V RR4V.

Law
Leicester: Y400.
Wales: M300.
Wolverhampton: M300.
Dorset (HEd): Y400.
Ealing (HEd): M300, N121, NM79.
Essex (HEd): M300, N122.

Librarianship and Information Studies
Brighton: PP12.
Leeds: P200.
Liverpool: PP12.
Newcastle: PP12
Ealing (HEd): PP12.

Manufacturing Systems Management
Birmingham: G560.
Bristol: H764.
Leeds: H781.
Leicester: N1HR.
Manchester: FH27, FH37, GH57, HW72.
Middlesex: HN31.
Newcastle: H780.
London (North East): H7N1, Y200.
Wolverhampton: J900.
Buckingham (HEd): J451.

Marketing
Coventry Lanchester: N121, Y600.
Hatfield: N121.
Leicester: N1HR.
London (City): N121.
London (South Bank): N980.
Thames: NR5C, NR6F, NR5K
Manchester: J461.
Stafford (North): N121.
Plymouth: NN34.
Dorset (HEd): N121, N301.

Mathematics for Business
Brighton: G111.
Middlesex: G1NC.

Minerals Estate Management
Sheffield: JN1V.
Trent: MN9R.

Music
Kingston: WX33.
Leicester: W900.
Middlesex: FW93.
Oxford: CW13, FW13, FW33, FW63, FW83, FWH3, GW13, GW53, HW63, NW73, RW23, TW93, WX31, WX33.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): W300.
Ealing (HEd): Y300.

Office Communication
Leeds: N140.
London (Central): N900.
London (City): N9R1.
Humber (HEd): N900.

Operational Research
Brighton: G111.
Coventry Lanchester: G101.
Leicester: G101, Y400.
London (Central): G100.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Plymouth: Y400.
Teesside: G151.

Organisation Studies
Birmingham: N721.
Leeds: N140.
Plymouth: NN34.
Dorset (HEd): N121.
Ealing (HEd): NM79.
Essex (HEd): N122.

Performance or Movement Studies
Leicester: W900.

Planning
Bristol: K401.
Coventry Lanchester: K421.
Leeds: K464.
London (Central): K440
London (South Bank): K401.
Thames: K300.
Middlesex: K450.
Oxford: FK84.
Sheffield: M900.

Political Economy
Thames: L114, L300.
Wales: LM4C.
Wolverhampton: L100, L1R1, L1R2.
Ealing (HEd): L100.

Recreation Management
Plymouth: Y400.

Retailing
London (South Bank): N980.

Secretarial Studies
London (Central): N900.

Surveying: Building or Land
Coventry Lanchester: H201, H266.
London (North East): FH82.
Trent: MN9R.
Wales: K201.
Bolton (HEd): H201

Surveying: Quantity
Birmingham: K281.
London (South Bank): K281.
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FOOTBALL: INJURY LISTS AT OLD TRAFFORD AND ST JAMES' PARK LENGTHEN WHILE THE LIST FOR LEAGUE'S TOP JOB SHORTENS

Newcastle's gloom deepens as their casualties multiply

By Louise Taylor

As if being planted firmly on the bottom of the first division without a win in four League matches were not bad enough, Newcastle United have had their woes exacerbated by an injury crisis that has disrupted preparations for the Mercantile Credit Centenary Trophy semi-final against Manchester United at Old Trafford tonight.

Mirandinha, the Brazilian forward, and Roeder, the captain, are long-term injury victims who were yesterday joined in the treatment room by Anderson, the right back, who has a damaged ankle and Wharton, the left back, who is suffering from a groin strain.

Newcastle can draw some consolation from the fact that United have an even longer injury list which has resulted in their giving a first-team debut to Sharpe, their record teenage buy, tonight.

Sharpe, normally a winger, will dip his toes in the cauldron of top bracket football at left back, a mere five months after Alex Ferguson, the United manager, paid Torquay United £60,000 for his outstanding left-sided potential.

It was an unprecedented price for a 16-year-old with only 14 fourth division outings and three goals to his name but Sharpe, now 17 and the youngest player ever to play for Torquay, appears to be justifying the investment by excelling in reserve team football at Old Trafford.

United are still without the injured Anderson and Gibson but could have Strachan back, although only as a substitute. Blackmore will switch to right back to accomodate Sharpe and Garton will move to central defence as replacement for McGrath who is finalizing his move to Tottenham

Two former members of Don Revie's famed Leeds United side of the 1970s will be reunited at Elland Road where Billy Bremner's Leeds face Allan Clarke's (ironically himself a former manager of United) Barnsley in a second division Yorkshire derby in which Leeds will be desperate to restore some pride after a less than glorious opening to the season.

Baird, the forward who was due to return to the Leeds side tonight following a one-game suspension, faces a late fitness test on a damaged shin.

If Leeds are experiencing a somewhat spluttering start, Brighton are apparently incapable of firing the ignition, leaving them in the ignominious position of being the only team in the League without a solitary point after their promotion from the third division last season.

They will doubtless be hoping that Nelson rediscovers his prodigious goal-scoring form at the Goldstone Ground where Ron Atkinson's West Bromwich Albion are the visitors tonight. They welcome back Albiston, who formerly played under Atkinson at Old Trafford, following a three match lay-off with a thigh injury. He will play at left-back as replacement for Hodson who has knee trouble.

Another former elite manager now also adjusting to slightly reduced circumstances is David Pleat, late of Tottenham and presently of Leicester City who entertain Plymouth Argyle at Filbert Street. Leicester are aiming to live up to their pre-season billing as strong promotion candidates.

In the third division two former England internationals will find themselves to be managerial adversaries when Bristol Rovers play host to Brentford at Twerton Park, the ground Rovers share with Bath City.

While Gerry Francis, now in charge of Rovers, was capped a dozen times during the mid-1970s, Steve Perryman, his opposite number, managed only one appearance for his country, as a substitute against Iceland in 1982.



Ready for action: Sharpe looks forward to making his debut for Manchester United tonight

Gray adds colour to cup occasion

By Roddy Forsyth

Rangers have never lost a Skol Cup tie under Graeme Souness. Whether or not they can preserve that record tonight against Heart of Midlothian seems likely to depend on how well they can overcome the loss of their forward partnership of McCoist and Drinkell.

The arrival of Andy Gray, who was signed at the weekend to provide cover for just such a problem, will alleviate Rangers' anxiety but it would be too much to expect him, in his present state of match fitness, to last the duration of a contest which could run to two hours and penalty kicks, if necessary.

Gray's presence in tonight's semi-final adds to the interest for a capacity crowd at Hampden Park as well as the armchair audience which has the benefit of a live television screening. It is reasonable to suppose that he will be partnered with Nisbet, the defender who was used to replace Drinkell on Saturday and who scored Rangers' second goal. Mmaro and Kirkwood have been added to the squad which took part in the weekend League match.

Hearts have gone off to the Clyde coast at Gourock to prepare for the game and their homework has included a close study of a film of their defeat on Saturday. Hearts' joint manager, Sandy Jardine, said yesterday:

"We did not play as well as we could have at certain times during the match, so we have gone over the game carefully to identify the areas which we can improve upon. Because of the way our set-up works we can expect the whole team to play more effectively if we can make the improvements we have talked about.

"On Saturday everyone knew that the first goal would be important and they got it. I think the opening goal will matter again tonight because I don't think there will be a lot of scoring opportunities in this game".

Although Jardine and Alex MacDonald, the other half of the managership, had chosen their team by lunchtime yesterday, the players selected will have to wait until this morning to hear about it.

No matter how the two camps deploy their forces, the key players in each side can expect to be closely marked. Hearts were seriously damaged when Walters ran at the defence on Saturday and he can expect to be the subject of increased attention this evening.

Having said that, the open spaces of Hampden are made for more creative players, a factor which invites Rangers to enjoy their usual cultured approach and Hearts to sharpen their counter-attacks. Rangers' record in the tournament and their liking for the atmosphere at Hampden must give them the edge in prospect but the absence of the Ibrox forward partnership offers Hearts an opportunity to move on to the final. As usual, the first goal will be influential.

Knowles resigns his position over 'matter of principle'

The Torquay United manager, Cyril Knowles, yesterday announced his resignation. The former Tottenham Hotspur defender made his decision public just hours before the Devon club's match with Burnley last night.

Under Knowles's management, Torquay had been transformed from a bottom-of-the-League club to a side which only narrowly missed out on promotion in the play-offs last season.

But he has left the club after 15 months over "a matter of principle" concerning the transfer of the suspended forward, Dave Caldwell, to a Belgian club, KVV Overpelt-Fabriek. Knowles had been eager to retain the player at Torquay.

He said: "When I give somebody my word I keep it. I do not think this is my doing, but it's not the first thing. The transfer of Dave really upset me. My decision is final. I'm not going back."

● The Middlesbrough manager, Bruce Rioch, has dismissed speculation that the club's England defender, Gary Pallister, is about to move to Manchester United. Rioch said: "Pallister is staying at Ayresome Park. I have no intention of parting with him. Middlesbrough do not have to sell Pallister to finance new signings." Pallister has been linked with several top clubs in the past year but is under contract with Middlesbrough until 1990.

● The England under-21 forward, David Hirst, has signed a new three-year contract with Sheffield Wednesday.

● Nottingham Forest are confident of signing Lee Chapman, who is leaving the French club, Niort, despite competition from Derby County. The Forest assistant manager, Ron Fenton, said: "We are optimistic that Chapman will sign for us, although the deal may not be done in time for him to play against Aston Villa on Saturday."

● The former Reading full back, Gary Peters, aged 32, has joined Fulham as a non-contract player.

● Brentford have signed the former Hartlepool, Leicester City and Darlington goalkeeper, Jeremy Roberts, aged 21. Roberts will play without a contract.

● The Bournemouth captain, Mark Newson, yesterday met Dave Pleat, the Leicester City manager, to discuss a possible transfer. Tottenham and Charlton Athletic have already expressed an interest in the player.

● Reading have signed the Gillingham left back, Irving Gernon. He will make his first appearance, subject to a medical, in today's home game against Southend, when Reading will attempt to gain their first League win of the season. Gernon, aged 25, began his career with Ipswich Town, making 76 appearances before moving to Gillingham two years ago.

● The Huddersfield Town winger, Mark Barham, aged 26, has requested a transfer after being unable to settle since a £100,000 transfer from Norwich City last year. Meanwhile, Julian Winter, the Huddersfield midfield player, has turned down a permanent move to Scunthorpe after a month's loan.

● Norwich, the League leaders, have reduced ticket prices for next week's Littlewoods Cup game in an attempt to lure supporters back to Carrow Road. Despite having taken maximum points so far, Norwich have attracted gates of only 11,000 — lower than corresponding fixtures last season when the club was struggling.

New League chief may come from outside the game

The Football League's new chief executive may come from outside the game. A management committee meeting in Manchester yesterday whittled down 100 applications for the post to a shortlist of 14 and Philip Carter, the League president, admitted that most were involved in the business world.

"They hold senior posts outside football in business and commercial circles," he said. "But we are always ready to consider any of our present staff at the League."

Trevor Phillips, the League's commercial director, hopes his own chances of promotion to one of football's top jobs have improved now that Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association, has said he is no longer interested.

"I'm disappointed Gordon has not come for the job because I thought it would be interesting working with him," Phillips said. "But now he is out of the running, I hope it will strengthen my application. I think I have shown what I have to offer in the last two years."

Carter said of Taylor's decision: "Gordon has been doing a first-class job for the PFA and it would be wrong for me to speculate on his ability in another position."

The shortlist is believed to include David Dent, the League's assistant secretary, who has taken over responsibility for administration at Lytham St Annes since Graham Kelly left to be groomed as chief executive of the FA. The League plans to reduce the shortlist before the management committee interview the final few.

Match to signal a period of detente

Istanbul (AP) — Turkey and Greece will play each other in a senior international for the first time in 36 years here today, following a relaxation of the feud between the countries which arose over the partition of Cyprus in the early 1950s.

After the two countries came close to war over oil-drilling rights in the Aegean sea last year, an attempt was launched to restore accord between the countries, and the match follows talks between Andreas Papandreou, the Greek leader, and Turgut Ozal, his Turkish counterpart, in Switzerland this January.

Greek players, officials and journalists arrived in Istanbul on Monday for the afternoon game, which will be played in the Inonu stadium. Officials of the Turkish football federation asked the interior ministry to take the necessary measures for the protection of the Greek players and officials during the game and their stay inside the country.

The last time the countries played an international was also in Istanbul, on May 16, 1952. Greece won 1-0. Earlier this season, Galatasaray of Istanbul played AEK Athens twice in friendly matches. The first, in Athens, was drawn 2-2, and the Greek side won the second, in Istanbul, 4-3.

● Switzerland will be seeking a high-scoring start to their 1990 World Cup qualifying campaign when they play in Luxembourg in the opening European group seven qualifying match today.

Luxembourg, whose players are drawn largely from part-time ranks and who include only two professionals, have not won an international match since 1970, when they beat Turkey 2-0. Daniel Jeandupeux, the Swiss coach, has told his players he expects more than a repeat of the meagre 1-0 victory Switzerland achieved when the teams last met in 1973.

The Swiss last qualified for the World Cup finals in England in 1966. They were beaten 2-0 at home by Yugoslavia last month. Motivation may arise from Hermann, aged 30, the captain of Neuchâtel Xamax, who is poised to win his 88th cap today.

After the defeat by Yugoslavia, Jeandupeux has reinforced his midfield by recalling Favre, the experienced Servette Geneva player, after a four-year absence. The coach also named four uncapped players in his 22-man squad, and is expected to give Birrer, the Lucerne defender, and Lei-Ravello, of Neuchâtel, their first cap.

Luxembourg's two French-based professionals, Hellers and Langers, are fit but injury rules out Malget in the midfield.

● Daniel Bravo and Jean-Pierre Papin, the leading scorers in the French League, have been called to the national side for their first World Cup match, against Norway in Paris next week.

Henri Michel, the national coach, is seeking a potent attack to rejuvenate France's fortunes following its failure to qualify for the European championship this summer, and a muted 1-1 draw with Czechoslovakia in a warm-up game last month. The Norwegians lost their first World Cup match to Scotland in Oslo last week.

Bravo, of Nice, is recalled after scoring three times against Lens on Saturday; he won nine caps for his country, but last played as a substitute in the 1984 European championship. Papin scored a penalty for Olympique Marseilles against Cannes at the weekend; both men have scored eight times in 12 games.

TEAM (from): J Bats, B Martini; M Amoros, B Boli, B Casoni, S Kastendeuch, L Sonor; D Bravo, M Dib, J-M Ferren, G Passi, J-P Rohr, F Sauzee; S Paille, J-P Papin, D Xuereb.

GOLF

Putting to use local knowledge

By Chris Moore

Spencer Edwards, a member of the Worcestershire team that won the English boys' championship in 1985, emerged as the surprise leader after yesterday's opening round of the 72 holes E. C. Osborne Midland professional championship at Kings Norton.

The local assistant, aged 18, has a one-stroke advantage, following his round of 69, over the chasing pack which includes Angus Dow, the Midland PGA captain, from Stoke Rochford.

Edwards spent six years playing as an amateur at Kings Norton before joining the paid ranks, having been given a year's membership by his father as a present for his tenth birthday.

He led the field virtually from the start, going three under par after six holes. He lipped out with putts for birdies on the 10th, 11th and 13th and dropped his only shot after missing the 17th green, but made amends by chipping-in from 25 feet at the last.

LEADING SCORES: 69: S Edwards (Kings Norton). 70: J Annable (Walsall), A Dow (Stoke Rochford), P Hinton (Bridgnorth), G Farr (Ludlow), K Dickens (Cold Ashby). 71: B Wakes (Notts), J Higgins (Patshull Park), J Rhodes (South Staffs), D Bowring (Cosby), T Stungis (Shirland), B Rimmer (Burton). 72: P Ball (Abbey Park), A Jolly (Northants County), G Edge (Moseley), M Jennings (Copt Heath), M Reay (John Reay Golf Centre).

TENNIS

Woodforde more confident

Los Angeles (Reuter) — Mark Woodforde, of Australia, twice John McEnroe's conqueror this summer, won his first match at the men's tournament here on Monday and said that his new confidence could take him higher in the world rankings.

Woodforde, aged 22, ranked fortieth in the world and the eighth seed in the tournament, beat the American qualifier, Robert Van't Hof, 7-6, 6-1 in their first-round match. Woodforde struggled in the early stages but found his rhythm in the second set. By the end he was passing Van't Hof with ease.

Woodforde, who beat McEnroe in Toronto and at the US Open in August, thought that confidence was a new element in his game. "I feel a bit more relaxed and not as nervous when I go on court," he said.

"But I still think I can go higher in the rankings. Beating McEnroe the second time was sweeter. He's a legend but I had to prove it to myself I could beat him again."

Woodforde could get a third chance, for McEnroe is the third seed here.

In other first-round matches, the seventh seed, Derrick Rostagno, was beaten by the unseeded, Jeff Tarango, and the sixth seed, Dan Goldie, had to struggle to overcome the unseeded Robbie Weiss in three sets, 1-6, 7-6, 7-5.

Tarango, aged 19, an amateur ranked 161st in the world, was a 6-3, 6-4 winner over the 38th-ranked Rostagno, who reached the final 16 at the US Open.

"I felt absolutely not there," Rostagno said after his loss to Tarango. "I tried to find some feeling but he's got quite a good serve and he follows up with a big forehand."

Goldie had words of praise for Weiss, who is ranked 474th compared with Goldie's ranking of 33rd. "He played a very good match, but I think he got tight and a little nervous. I picked up my game and I was pretty lucky to win."

SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

A West Country serial carries on

By George Chesterton

The BHS county competition, carried over from last season, will move nearer a conclusion next week when Avon and Devon make a third attempt to settle their quarter-final match at Weston-super-Mare. The winners will then meet West Midlands. In the other half of the draw Essex will play Merseyside in the semi-final.

King Edward's, Witley, have been involved in two high-scoring games. They led Westminster by a solitary goal at half-time but ran out winners by 5-0. Girling, in midfield, dominated play and was responsible for the fifth goal, with a hard drive from 25 yards.

Against Winchester, King Edward's scored first but did not have things their own way on this occasion. The score was locked at 3-3 until Winchester stole the game with a goal a minute from time.

Although not a goal was scored in the match between Bradfield and Highgate, both sides had chances which later in the season might well have been converted. A similar result looked likely in the fixture between Eton and Forest, until Forest managed to get home by the odd goal, scored from a corner.

Wellingborough continued their run of success with a win over Kimbolton. They were two up at half-time and immediately after the restart Thompson scored their third and final goal

Goals from Yetzes and Koffman put Alleyne's two up at half-time in their opening match, against Chigwell, who reduced the deficit 10 minutes into the second half.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigan may carry on regardless

By Keith Macklin

Players with British clubs, who have been selected for Australia or New Zealand in the World Cup final at Auckland on Sunday week, will have to be given eight days' clearance in accordance with international rules. This means that clubs such as Wigan, who have a strong New Zealand contingent, Warrington and Widnes will be without their imported stars for two Sunday games.

In the case of Wigan, who have four men involved in the final, permission has been granted for them to postpone their fixtures for the next two Sundays. But Wigan have such a strong panel of players that they may decide to go through with the games. Warrington will be without their front row forward Roach and Widnes their inspiring skipper, Sorenson.

The League's public relations officer, David Howes, said yesterday: "The British club players are only expected to play in one game, the World Cup final, and must not take part in any of the trial games arranged before the actual match."

Great Britain will play France home and away at two international levels, full and under-21, this season.

● Yorkshire were given a major boost for the Roses match at Headingley tonight, sponsored by Rodstock, by the news of Ellery Hanley's recovery from injury. He will captain the side. Yorkshire have won all three matches played under this banner.

Salford's former Rugby Union international, the stand-off half, Peter Williams, has been denied his first League representative honour by a groin injury, received when he kicked off in the Lancashire cup first-round tie against Whitehaven last Sunday. He is likely to be out of action for a fortnight.

Lancashire will also be without three other first-choice players. Darren Wright (Widnes) and Shaun Edwards (Wigan) are injured and Mike Gregory (Warrington) is taking a rest, following an exhausting Australasia tour and Achilles tendon trouble. They are replaced by three Widnes men, Andy Currier, David Hulme and Mike O'Neill.

● The British Amateur Rugby League Association has named its management team for the Young Lions Australian tour at the end of the season. The manager will be the former BARLA chairman, Jackie Reid of Egremont, Cumbria, who led the outstanding Young Lions Tour to New Zealand in 1983, when a record of seven games won out of eight played made it one of the most successful British Rugby League touring sides in the history of the game.

YESTERDAY'S RACING RESULTS

Sandown Park

Going: good to firm (round course); firm (straight)

2.0 (5f) 1, KONBOLA (T Ives, 11-8 fav; Private Handicapper's top rating): 2, Aquatic (R Hills, 14-1); 3, Mizoff (C Rutter, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Palace Rebel, 12 Welshmans Pride, Alexandra Katrine (4th), 14 Agnes Lily (6th), 33 Akasha (5th), 66 Berkeley Express, 100 Irscar, Vilveaer, Wensley Rose. 12 ran. 1½l, 1½l, sh hd, hd, ¾l. W O'Gorman at Newmarket. Tote: £2.10; £1.10, £3.50, £1.90. DF: £23.60. CSF: £18.52. 1min 01.94sec.

2.30 (1m) 1, THARWAT (R Hills, 7-1); 2, Prinsulette (W Newnes, 5-1); 3, Irene's Charter (R Wernham, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 4 fav Spanish Heart (5th), 5 Fantasi Impromptu, 13-2 Briery Pale, 7 My Home, 8 Pacific Gull, 10 Aikpura (6th), 20 Lady Chatterley (4th), Travel Music, Daley Miller. 12 ran. NR: Full Blast. ¾l, 1½l, hd, sh hd, 2½l. H Thomson Jones at Newmarket. Tote: £8.80; £2.20, £2.20, £6.30. DF: £27.10. CSF: £41.68. Tricast: £905.72. 1min 43.22sec.

Nathar Romance (11-2) withdrawn, not under orders – rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 15p in pound.

3.5 (1m 2f) 1, LIGHT ROMANCE (J Lowe, 11-4); 2, Rustic Comedy (C Asmussen, 11-2); 3, Staten Island (S O'Gorman, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Habub (4th), 10 The Soviet (6th), 12 Directors Choice, 25 Prince Of Rhythm (rd to race), 33 Blue Ensign (5th). 8 ran. 1l, sh hd, 6l, 4l, 5l. C Brittain at Newmarket. Tote: £3.60; £1.50, £1.60, £1.80. DF: £10.80. CSF: £16.40. Tricast: £67.31. 2min 07.14sec.

3.35 (5f) 1, ANOTHER RHYTHM (C Asmussen, 12-1); 2, Chummy's Charm (B Raymond, 14-1); 3, Cumbrian Express (M Birch, 3-1 fav). Also: 4 Our Jock, 11-2 Merdon Melody (5th), 10 Aldaiba, Jaisalmer, Patcon (4th), 20 Kinloch, 25 Ashlar Boy, Music Machine, 33 Rectory Maid, 50 Pricate (6th), Hello Sandcliffe, Soropitmister, Champagne Lover, Hush It Up. 17 ran. 2½l, ¾l, hd, 1½l, sh hd. J Jenkins at Royston. Tote: £10.70; £2.80, £2.40, £1.80. DF: £189.90. CSF: £150.54. 1min 00.42sec.

4.10 (1m) 1, MIRED (C Asmussen, 15-8); 2, Travelling Tryst (7 ives, 8-11 fav); 3, Nottage (R Hills, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 33 Sea Buck (4th). 4 ran. NR: Far More. 1½l, 5l, 10l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £2.40. DF: £1.20. CSF: £3.40. 1min 42.81sec.

4.40 (5f) 1, SLEEPERS (P Burke, 10-1); 2, All Is Forgiven (B Crossley, 9-1); 3, What A Guy (B Raymond, 7-1); 4, No Beating Herbs (C Asmussen, 13-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 13-2 jt-fav Take Effect, 9 Pendor Dancer (6th), 10 George William, 11 Good Game, 12 Frimley Parkson, Maiden Builder, 14 Greta Cargo, 16 Lochbtium (5th), 20 Indian Set, 25 Lingering Lime Brook, 33 Jabo Mac, Cherrywood Sam, Ever So Sharp. 18 ran. Sh hd, nk, hd, sh hd, ¾l. C Booth at Flaxton. Tote: £13.30; £2.50, £2.40, £1.70, £1.70. DF: £55.60. CSF: £95.82. Tricast: £625.13. 1min 01.29 sec.

5.10 (1m 1f) 1, FRENCH PRETENDER (B Raymond, 7-1); 2, Retouch (L Dettori, 4-1 fav); 3, Johnsted (T Williams, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Elenos, Nightstalker, 8 Hawwem, 9 Oriental Splendour, 10 Jogenkyo (4th), 14 Little Queet, Northwold Star (5th), 33 Rochester (6th), 100 Fairey Pearl, Talston Flyer. 13 ran. ½l, 2½l, nk, 3l, ¾l. W Jarvis at Newmarket. Tote: £6.30; £2.10, £1.80, £2.00. DF: £10.50. CSF: £33.62. Tricast: £153.99. Time: 1min 54.63sec. After a stewards' inquiry, result stood.

Jackpot: not won (Pool of £8,755.55 carried forward to Sandown today)

Placepot: £422.50

Sedgefield

Going: firm

2.0 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Royal Tower (P Midgley, 11-4); 2, Kelm Park (15-2); 3, Capelice (11-2). Bedrock 5-4 fav. 5 ran. 1l, 20l. P Blockley. Tote: £3.30; £2.10, £1.40. DF: £12.20. CSF: £17.74.

2.30 (3m 600yd hdle) 1, Galewood (C Dennis, 11-8 fav); 2, Dame Flora (5-1); 3, Little Mittens (5-2). 5 ran. 10l, 20l. C Bewer. Tote: £2.30; £1.30, £1.90. DF: £5.70. CSF: £8.19.

3.0 (3m 600yd ch) 1, Grand Value (C Grant, 6-1); 2, Gilsan Grey (7-1); 3, Inkpen (8-11 fav). 10 ran. 2l, 10l. W A Stephenson. Tote: £6.00; £1.80, £1.90, £1.10. DF: £18.30. CSF: £44.73.

3.30 (2m 4f ch) 1, Spriesbrand (R Marley, 11-2); 2, Glida Pedrag (4-5 fav); 3, Jody's Boy, 11-1). 10 ran. 8l, 15l, M H Easterby. Tote: £5.50; £1.60, £1.50, £2.10. DF: £5.00. CSF: £10.19. Tricast: £44.09.

4.0 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Mighty Glow (Mrs A Farrell, 13-8 fav); 2, Wizard Of Was (5-1); 3, Hodaka (9-2). 7 ran. NR: Queens Man. ¾l, 10l. C Tinkler. Tote: £2.60; £1.90, £2.20. DF: £4.20. CSF: £9.57. Tricast: £26.69.

4.30 (2m hdle) 1, Non Constat (C Grant, 5-4 fav); 2, Area Code (3-1); 3, Broctune Gray (66-40). 8 ran. 8l, 4l. Denys Smith. Tote: £2.20; £1.20, £1.30, £1.10. DF: £3.50. CSF: £5.20.

5.0 (2m hdle) 1, Miss Relsun (P Niven, 10-1); 2, Direct Interest (14-1); 3, Megans Move (9-2). Tip-Tap 5-2 fav. 9 ran. 5l, 3l. Mrs G Reveley. Tote: £7.90; £1.80, £2.60, £1.40. DF: £51.50. CSF: £117.42. Tricast: £649.92.

Placepot: £16.30

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Royal Lodge EBF Stakes, Ascot: Lancervel, Tote Festival Handicap, Ascot: Servonices. All engagements (dead): Crown Seal, Jackdaw, Deep Echol, Corn Bunting, Cape Rose, Cider Night, Classic Owen, Lantern Boy, Stubbini, Nicky's Knight, Channel Hopper, Wearmouth, Miss Milano, Golden Fantasy, Haworth Park, Courtoisie, Cross Kriss, Ambien Hill, Eastern Legend, Panasonicha Wells.

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Crystal Palace 75 (Ryan 18). Lyndale Rangers 90 (Hays 29, Davis 24, Cunningham 15). Manchester Eagles 72 (Brown 26, Henderson 18). Derby 70 (Humes 20, Lazcades 15). MIM Livingston 104 (Hall 24, Cooley 24, Flemming 23), Solent Stars 91 (Sewell 26).

NATWEST TROPHY: Oldham Celtics 81, Sunderland 76ers 90.

BOXING

CORBEIL-ESSONNES: European middleweight championship (10 rounds): Christophe Tiozzo (Fr, holder) bt Alfonso Redondo (Sp), rsc 7th.

EQUESTRIANISM

CAMBERLEY: Inter-service team championship: 1, RAF, 173 penalties; 2, Army, 177.

GOLF

SONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, G Norman (Aus), 1,414pts; 2, S Ballesteros (Spl), 1,364; 3, A Lyle (GB), 1,353; 4, N Faldo (GB), 1,022; 5, C Strange (US), 1,000; 6, I Woosnam (GB), 893; 7, B Crenshaw (US), 863; 8, P Azinger (US), 813; 9, B Langer (WG), 786; 10, L Wadkins (US), 767.

LEADING EUROPEAN PGA EARNINGS (GB unless stated): 1, S Ballesteros (Spl), £353,384; 2, N Faldo, £254,868; 3, J-M Olazabal (Spl), £213,564; 4, I Woosnam, £197,783; 5, M McNulty (Zim), £154,029; 6, A Lyle, £146,394; 7, M James, £138,393; 8, G Brand jun, £118,394; 9, J Rivero (Spl), £116,615; 10, R Rafferty, £111,692.

NEWBATTLE GC, Dalkeith: Golf Foundation schools' team championship: Qualifying round: 1, North Berwick HS, 222 (A Cochran 69, S Roberts 78, L Hunsaersen 75); 2, Stewarts' Melville College, 229 (S Prestony 76, J Strange 74, O Scopes 79); 3, Preston Lodge HS, 229 (R Russell 77, E Mackay 76, J Fiddler 74).

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Armthorpe 43, Leeds GS 4; Colle's 10, Dartford GS 13; Radley 28, Reading 3.

TENNIS

LEADING ATP RANKINGS: 1, M Wilander (Swe); 2, I Lendl (Cz); 3, S Edberg (Swe), 4, A Agassi (US); 5, B Becker (WG); 6, K Carlsson (Swe), 7, P Cash (Aus), 8, Y Noah (Fr); 9, J Connors (US), 10, T Mayotte (US).

LEADING ATP MONEY-WINNERS: 1, M Wilander (Swe), $857,850 (£514,000); 2, S Edberg (Swe), $847,464; 3, B Becker (WG), $674,691; 4, I Lendl (Cz), $598,938; 5, A Agassi (US), $597,312; 6, K Carlsson (Swe), $445,133; 7, E Sanchez (Spl), $399,522; 8, H Leconte (Fr), $310,102; 9, T Mayotte (US), $307,471; 10, A Jarryd (Swe), $260,644.

LEADING WITA MONEY-WINNERS: 1, S Graf (WG), $1,296,878 (£776,000); 2, M Navratilova (US), $671,782; 3, G Sabatini (Arg), $575,174; 4, C Evert (US), $436,524; 5, P Shriver (US), $389,127; 6, Z Garrison (US), $382,452; 7, N Sukova (Cz), $282,092; 8, N Zvereva (USSR), $271,929; 9, L McNeil (US), $208,110; 10, C Kohde-Kilsch (WG), $177,947.

LOS ANGELES: Men's Grand Prix tournament (US unless stated): First round: M Davis bt T Watson, 7-6, 6-1; J Couvier bt D Zdrazil (Peru), 7-5, 6-2; P Sampras bt P Doohan (Aus), 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; J Pugh bt J Letts, 6-2, 6-3; M Woodforde (Aus) bt R Van't Hof, 7-6, 6-1; J Tarango bt D Rostagno, 6-3, 6-4; D Goldie bt R Weiss, 1-6, 7-6, 7-5.

GENEVA: Men's Grand Prix tournament: First round: H de la Pena (Arg) bt M Kaseworrmaes (Neth), 6-7, 6-4, 7-5; B Oresar (Yug) bt S Guy (Nz), 2-6, 7-6, 7-5; M Mayda (Cz) bt G Perez-Roldan (Arg), 6-4, 6-7, 6-3; I Flego (Yug) bt Z Ruttarsky (Switz), 6-7, 6-4, 7-6; J Arrese (Spl) bt F Segarsanu (Rom), 7-6, 6-1; J Gunnarsson (Swe) bt T Sted (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Carlsson (Swe) bt R Bettman (Swe), 6-1, 6-3.

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Armthorpe 43, Leeds GS 4; Colle's 10, Dartford GS 13; Radley 28, Reading 3.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

BERWICK UPON TWEED: Berwick Wells 6.7 miles road race: 1, P Cusick (Jarrow and Hebburn), 33min 32sec. Team: 1, Tynedale 9pt.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

UNITED STATES: National League (NFL): Cleveland Browns 23, Indianapolis Colts 17.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: Atlanta Braves 4, San Francisco Giants 3 (10 innings); Cincinnati Reds 7, San Diego Padres 2; Los Angeles Dodgers 1, Houston Astros 0; Pittsburgh Pirates 5, St Louis Cardinals 4; Postponed: Montreal Expos at Chicago Cubs. American League: Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 4, New York Yankees 3, Baltimore Orioles 2, Cleveland Indians 4, Detroit Tigers 3, Chicago White Sox 7, Texas Rangers 3; Milwaukee Brewers 4, California Angels 2; Seattle Mariners 4, Kansas City Royals 0, Oakland Athletics 5, Minnesota Twins 3

FOOTBALL

BARCLAYS LEAGUE: Third division: Port Vale 5, Chesterfield 0. Fourth division: Stockport County 1, Halifax Town 1; Tranmere Rovers 1, Peterborough United 0

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Fisher 3, Wycombe 3

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Dagenham 1, St Albans 1. First division: Basildon 2, Chesham 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde 0, Barrow 2; Workstop 1, Matlock 4.

FA YOUTH CUP: First qualifying round: Corby 7, Banbury 0

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Newport Free GS 5, Campion 0.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Romania 3, Albania 0.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Barclays League Second division

Brighton v WBA
Leeds v Barnsley
Leicester v Plymouth (7.45)

Third division

Bristol R v Brentford (7.45)
Reading v Southend (8.0)

Fourth division

Hereford v Crewe

Mercantile Credit Centenary Trophy Semi-final

Manchester Utd v Newcastle

Skol Cup Semi-final

Rangers v Hearts (Hampden Park)

GM Vauxhall Conference

Cheltenham v Northwich
Yeovil v Welling

IRISH LEAGUE: Lombard Ulster Cup: Semi-final: Larne v Portadown.

CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): First division: Blackburn v Aston Villa; Huddersfield v Sheffield Wednesday. Second division: Bolton v Darlington; Doncaster v Notts County; Grimsby v Hull; Port Vale v Mansfield; Wigan v Oldham; York v Scunthorpe.

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Fulham v Arsenal (2.0); Ipswich v West Ham (3.0); Millwall v Swindon (2.0); Norwich v Oxford United.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Caernarfon v Marine; Gateshead v Gainsborough; Rhyl v Bangor City; Shepshed v Goole.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Second division north: Tring v Barton. Second division south: Flackwell Heath v Epsom and Ewell; Molesey v Camberley.

FA CUP: First qualifying round replays: Banbury v Leighton; Basnley v Newport IOW; Bourne v Bedworth; Farsley v Esh Winning; Harworth Ci v Congleton; Marlow v Ruislip; South Bank v Shotton.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Bridgend v Llanelli (7.15); Ebbw Vale v Swansea (7.0); Maesteg v Penarth (7.15); Newbridge v Tredegar (7.15).

UNDER-21 INTERNATIONAL: Ireland v Italy (Belfast).

RUGBY LEAGUE

RODSTOCK WAR OF THE ROSES: Yorkshire v Lancashire (at Headingley).

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division: Sheffield v Mansfield.

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: NatWest Trophy: Bracknell v Solent (8.0).

BOXING: Hearn promotion (Basildon).

GOLF: Midland professional championships (King's Norton).

LACROSSE: Tour match: North Territory v Australia (Keighley RFC, 3.0).

SNOOKER: Canadian masters qualifying (Blackpool).

SPORT ON TV

FOOTBALL: BBC1 Scotland 7.10-9.30 p.m.: Skol Cup semi-final: Live coverage of Rangers v Hearts.

BOXING

Tiozzo retains title despite weight strain

Paris (AFP) — Christophe Tiozzo, of France, retained his European middleweight title here on Monday night and then indicated he would probably move up in weight.

Tiozzo, who had problems making the 11st 6oz limit for his second title defence, stopped a courageous Spanish challenger, Alfonso Redondo, in the seventh round of a scheduled 12-round contest before saying he hoped to box either the World Boxing Association super-middleweight champion, Fulgencio Obelmejias, of Venezuela, or the International Boxing Federation super-middleweight title-holder, Graciano Rocchigiani, of West Germany.

The bout against Redondo concluded when the referee stepped in to call a halt after the Spaniard, bleeding from a bad cut to his right eyebrow, had suffered two knockdowns and a standing count.

Promising Shoot Ahead to shine

By Mandarin

Michael Stoute, priming his big battalions for a major assault on the top prizes at the three-day Ascot meeting starting tomorrow, must have high hopes of success at *Sandown* Park today with his promising two-year-old, **Shoot Ahead.**

This Shirley Heights colt showed considerable potential when making his first appearance by running Henry Cecil's Headquarters to two lengths at Yarmouth last month.

That form has a solid ring about it as the third horse that day, Luca Cumani's *Momtaaz*, has since won with authority over a mile on a return visit to the seaside course.

Shoot Ahead's opponents today in the Granby Stakes include Rasheek who, after victories at Yarmouth and Thirsk, lost his unbeaten record to Sharp Justice at Kempton at the beginning of this month.

Michael Jarvis, who frequently places his horses with success in foreign events, collected an Ostend prize with L'Ephemere, while Paul Cole's Singular Run does not look up to this grade after being beaten comprehensively in a Chepstow nursery last month.

Stoute also has another representative in today's race, the newcomer Ensharp, but I am confident Shoot Ahead can open his account, and he is my nap.

Another attractive bet at the Esher meeting is **Lovers Tryst,** owned and trained by Lady Herries, in the Mitre Fillies Graduation Stakes.

Despite starting slowly on her debut at Bath, this promising filly stayed on determinedly to beat Casey, who has since proved to be a filly of considerable value, having captured Doncaster's Park Hill Stakes on her most recent outing.

Lovers Tryst has not been seen again since her June victory, but she should continue the good work today at the expense of Organza.

Another progressive type looks to be **Goscar,** who gained his second consecutive success by beating the Cambridgeshire hope, Pontevechio Notte, in good fashion at Yarmouth last week.

The three-year-old carries a 6lb-penalty for that victory, but may stay one step ahead of the handicapper in the Easi Bind Perfect Presentation *Handicap.*

Petrillia, trained by Barry Hills, attempts to gain her fourth successive victory in the opening Oxshott Apprentice Nursery. She is certainly speedy, but may not be up to conceding a stone to **Dancing Blade,** who looks on a handy mark after two decent efforts.

John Dunlop may be on the mark with **Saneena** in the Swan Lightly Handicap, while Jeremy Tree's **George Hobart** can end his exasperating run of five consecutive seconds in the Alington Maiden Stakes.

At Beverley, Guy Harwood's **Wentworth Prince** should make his long trip from Pulborough pay off in the Garrowby Maiden Stakes and course winner **Not Yet** appeals in the Weel Handicap.

An interesting runner at the Devon & Exeter meeting is **The Queen's Insular,** who can gain his first success over fences in the Business South West Novices' Chase.

Blinkered first time

SANDOWN: 2.0 Inswinger, Iron King, 4.5 Failiq. BEVERLEY: 2.45 Glenfondale, Thomason; 3.45 Silks Domino; 4.15 Follow the Drum.

Cauthen's comeback this year in doubt

Doubts still remain whether *Steve Cauthen,* the reigning champion jockey, will be back in action before the Flat racing season ends on November 5, after his fall at Goodwood at the end of August (Michael Seely writes).

Cauthen is currently recuperating at his parents' home in Kentucky. "Steve doesn't know yet whether he'll be riding again this autumn," said the jockey's mother, Myra, yesterday. "He's going along nicely and we'll know more in a week."



Cauthen: recuperating at parents' Kentucky home

Commenting on the news, Henry Cecil said: "It is hard to believe that Steve could fully recover in six weeks and be fit to ride for the final week. "It's very sensible for him to rest and give himself a chance for making a complete recovery. I want him back 100 per cent next season and they'll be a red carpet waiting for him."

Cecil then confirmed that Michael Roberts would be partnering Salse in Saturday's Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot and High Estate in the Royal Lodge Stakes, the same afternoon, when Pat Eddery will partner Tessla in the Hoover Fillies' Mile.

Willie Ryan is to ride Priceless Pearl in Friday's Kensington Palace Stakes and the stable second jockey has also been provisionally booked for Samoan, who is to join High Estate in a two-pronged stable assault on the Royal Lodge. "This has yet to be confirmed as we've still to finalise our plan," Cecil concluded.

Eddery clear to ride Indian Rose

Pat Eddery is free to ride Indian *Rose in the Prix de* l'Arc de Triomphe whether Khaled Abdulla's Lesotho runs or not

Alec Head, whose daughter Criquette, trains Lesotho, said: "Mr Abdulla acknowledges that Pat Eddery had already agreed to ride Indian Rose and that will stand."

Speedy Warning warm order for Ascot showpiece

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Warning has been installed 6-4 favourite with City Index for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, the £250,000 centrepiece of the Festival of British Racing Day at Ascot on Saturday.

Khaled Abdulla's three-year-old, the winter favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, returned to his best when winning Goodwood's Sussex Stakes and again when running Miesque to a length in the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville.

"Warning's 200 per cent", said Geoff Lawson, Guy Harwood's brother-in-law at Leicester yesterday. "The lads who ride him say he's better than ever."

Soviet Star will also find supporters at 7-4. Andre Fabre's four-year-old, well beaten behind Miesque and Warning at Deauville, then turned the tables on the world's champion *miler in the Prix du Moulin.*

The high-class nature of the group one test is shown by the fact that Persian Heights and Salse are on offer at 4-1 and 7-1 respectively. Kefaah and Magic Of Life, both disappointing last time out but exceptionally talented on their day, are priced at 10-1.

Predictably, none of the big four bookmakers is prepared to chance their arm by betting on this world-class event. "You must realize that there is no profit for bookmakers in stakes races," said an ante-post manager, who wished to remain anonymous.

He is, of course, right. But racing needs all the publicity *that it can get. And with the new* levy scheme under review, the bookmakers continuing desire to be guided solely by the profit motive, must be noted.

Again, not surprisingly, the same layers were falling over themselves to bet on the £55,000 Tote Festival Handicap, for which the field will be kept down to 20 runners only because of safety regulations. William Hill make Luca Cumani's Park Hill Stakes winner, Casey, their favourite at 5-1. *They then go 8-1* Pat Eddery's mount, Pelorus, 10-1 Zaffaran and 12-1 Apache.

Lawson was at Leicester to watch Greensmith run in the second division of the Kegworth Stakes, but the 5-4 favourite could only finish third behind the runaway winner, Zayyani. *John Reid rode the Aga Khan's* newcomer for Fulke Johnson Houghton. "I thought that was a good performance," said Gaie,

Double for Asmussen

Cash Asmussen, who starts a four-day ban on Tuesday following a careless riding offence at Longchamp last weekend, made a flying visit to Sandown yesterday, and collected a double on Another Rhythm and Mired.

the trainer's wife, "he's entered in good races like the William Hill Futurity."

Another promising performance was given by Magical Strike, who was yet another winning two-year-old for the in-*form stable of Michael Stoute.* The 2-1 on favourite lengthened his stride for Walter Swinburn to win by four lengths.

Finally, news came from Neil Graham that Tony Ives will ride Emmson in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

Carter rides favourite

Gary Carter has been booked by Gavin Pritchard-Gordon to partner the ante-post favourite, Pontevecchio Notte, in the William Hill Cambridgeshire at Newmarket on Saturday week.

Mark Prescott's Quinlan *Terry (14-1)* will be ridden by George Duffield at Newmarket, while the same trainer has booked Alan Mackay for Milligan (25-1). Peter Calver's Eradicate and Per Quod will miss the race.

Winner for Cartier Million

Mr Terence E. Whitear is the winner of *The Times* competition linked with the Cartier Million race at Phoenix Park, Dublin, on October 1.

Mr Whitear, who lives at Fort Fareham Road, Fareham, Hampshire, will enjoy an exclusive weekend at one of the most intriguing events of the racing year. He and a companion will be driven from home to Heathrow on September 30 for the first-class flight to Dublin, their accommodation at the Shelbourne Hotel, and dinner as the guests of Cartier at Le Coq Hardi restaurant. The following day, they will have lunch at Luttrellstown Castle before travelling to the Phoenix Park course to watch the Cartier Million and the other races from the directors' box. After racing, they will be driven to Dublin Airport for the journey home.

Mr Whitear's entry was the first correct one drawn from all those received by yesterday, an extended deadline because of the postal dispute.

The answers to the questions were: 1, True; 2, Ir£3.1 million; 3, Commanche Run: 4, 780,000 Irish guineas; 5, seven furlongs.

SANDOWN PARK

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.00 Dancing Blade.	2.00 Dancing Blade.
2.30 **SHOOT AHEAD** (nap).	2.30 **SHOOT AHEAD** (nap).
3.00 Goscar.	3.00 Goscar.
3.35 Charm Bird.	4.05 Hobbs Time.
4.05 Saneena.	4.40 Salonniere.
4.40 Lovers Tryst.	5.10 Sharp Shape.
5.10 George Hobart.	

By Michael Seely

2.30 **SHOOT AHEAD** (nap). 3.00 Goscar. 5.10 Sharp Shape.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 9-0432 **GOOD TIMES** 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... S West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell, P – pulled up, U – unseated rider, B – brought down, S – slipped up, R – refused, D – disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat. (B – blinkers, V – visor, H – hood. E – Eyeshield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and distance winner. BF – beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F – firm, good to firm, hard. G – good, S – soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider *plus any allowance. The Times Private* Handicapper's rating.

Going: good to firm (round course); firm (straight)

Draw: 5f, high numbers best

2.0 OXSHOTT APPRENTICE STAKES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,390: 5f) (13 runners)

101	(3)	120158	**MISTER LAWSON** 25 (D,F) (P Bonner) P Mitchell 9-7	S O'Gorman	94
102	(13)	202111	**PETRILLIA** 5 (B,D,G,S) (A Shead) B Hills 9-5 (8ex)	P Hegarty (7)	● 99
110	(12)	023	**DANCING BLADE** 23 (B) (Mrs P Yong) W O'Gorman 8-1	R Morse (3)	92
113	(7)	600430	**INSWINGER** 11 (B) (Mrs A Norman) W Wightman 7-12	Dale Gibson	88
114	*(5)*	*614326*	*IRON KING 4 (B,D,F) (C Sparrowhawk) R Hannon 7-12*	G Hills (7)	89
115	(8)	140440	**SAINT SYSTEMS** 2 (D,F,G) (The Saint Group Ltd) M Britain 7-11	—	92
116	(11)	100504	**BLUE MONEY** 15 (D,F) (J Davey) M McCormack 7-11	NON–RUNNER	—
118	(10)	633245	**THE TANSEY MAN** 11 (P Trant) J Baker 7-7	S Wood	93
123	(6)	55300	**MR TOYBOY** 71 (D Lee) R Smyly 7-7	G Hind	92
124	(1)	0500	**LAND OF PLENTY** 16 (R Botsm) M Fetherston-Godley 7-7	M Marshall	89
125	(5)	65254	**SPS CREATIVE** 9 (SPS Ltd) M Britain 7-7	A Munro (3)	90
127	(4)	00051	**NITE NITE LOUISA** 13 (B,F) (C Buckle) A Lee 7-7 (5ex)	J Quinn	97
129	(2)	100203	**MOOR FROLICKING** 8 (F) (M Evans) T Jones 7-7	C Hodgson (4)	81

Long handicap: Mr Toyboy 7-4, Land Of Plenty 7-3, Sps Creative 7-2, Nite Nite Louisa 7-0, Moor Frolicking 6-5.

BETTING: 11-8 Petrillia, 4-1 Dancing Blade, 5-1 Iron King, 7-1 Mister Lawson, 8-1 The Tansey Man, 10-1 others.

1987: IMPATIENT CHARLIE 7-0 G Hills (25-1) R Hannon 14 ran

FORM PETRILLIA has a three wins to his credit, (BLUE MONEY held), but carries an 8lb penalty for his troubles and may find this more of a battle than earlier races.
MISTER LAWSON is difficult to assess having improved to beat Pitsea ¾l at Lingfield on his third last start but puting up only moderate performances in the Rosses Stakes and behind Sylvan Mistral at Goodwood.
DANCING BLADE is a speedy individual and is capable of victory over the minimum trip. The remainder make little appeal over today's distance.
Selection: PETRILLIA

2.30 GRANBY STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,964: 7f) (6 runners)

203	(6)	112	**RASHEEK** 19 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 9-4	Pat Eddery	● 99
205	(3)	1310	**SINGULAR RUN** 23 (D,BF,F,G) (F Salman) P Cole 9-4	T Quinn	90
207	(5)	431	**L'EPHEMERE** 24 (D,G) (J Lamote) M Jarvis 8-13	B Raymond	71
210	(1)	2	**SHOOT AHEAD** 29 (R Cowell) M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	96
215	*(4)*		*ENSHARP (Sir Gordon White) M Stoute 8-7*	G Starkey	—
220	(2)	0	**KISSING THE PINK** 79 (R Lamb) H O'Neill 8-6	W Newnes	—

BETTING: 10-11 Shoot Ahead; 7-2 Rasheek, 5-1 L'Ephemere, 6-1 Ensharp, 10-1 Singular Run, 25-1 Kissing The Pink.

1987: MAKSUD 8-11 *C Asmussen (2-1 fav) R Armstrong 12 ran*

FORM Robert Armstrong landed this event with Maksud last year and attempts a follow-up with RASHEEK. The selection landed the odds at Yarmouth (6f) first time out and followed up with a ½l win at Thirsk. He stayed on to finish 2l behind Sharp Justice at Kempton (7f) in a warmer event last time and should be ideally suited by the extra furlong today.
SHOOT AHEAD was made to look slightly one-paced behind Headquarters on his debut at Yarmouth (7f), but should be thereabouts on this occasion. L'EPHEMERE is something of an enigma, having produced only modest form in maiden races here, he landed a fairly valuable event by 8l at Ostende (7f) last time.
SINGULAR RUN looked short of a turn of foot behind Polar Run at Newbury, but has claims nonetheless.
Selection: RASHEEK (nap)

3.0 EASI BIND PERFECT PRESENTATION HANDICAP (£3,663: 1m) (11 runners)

302	(3)	551233	**HOORAY LADY** 11 (D,F,G) (British Thoroughbred Pig G Balding 4-9-10	J Williams	90
303	(7)	655515	**HANSEATIC** 23 (B,D,G) (J Carrington) P Makin 4-9-8	J Reid	86
305	(5)	000005	**BOLD PILLAGER** 25 (D,F) (Dexam Ltd) J Dunlop 6-8-4	B Rouse	93
307	(1)	454686	**LOTS OF LUCK** 19 (B) (T Klaveness) E Eldin 5-9-2	A Mackay	90
309	(8)	120-104	**PUPPET SHOW** 23 (D,F) (The Queen) W Hastings-Bass 4-9-2	Pat Eddery	92
310	(2)	162011	**GOSCAR** 7 (D,F) (Lady Matthews) I Matthews 3-8-13 (6ex)	N Day	● 99
313	(9)	445131	**ICE CHOCOLATE** 23 (D,F) (J Francome) Miss B Sanders 4-8-4	W Newnes	90
314	(11)	044055	**SUPER LUNAR** 25 (Mrs J Hopkins) L Cottrell 4-8-2	C Rutter	89
316	(4)	554022	**AL-TORFANAN** 8 (D,F,G) (A Cousins) P Howling 4-8-1	T Quinn	96
320	(6)	6-01905	**TILT TECH FLYER** 8 (D,S) (P De Weck) R Akehurst 3-7-11	N Adams	92
322	*(10)*	60520-0	**PULASKI** 11 (D Larke) Mrs N Smith 4-7-9	T Williams	83

BETTING: 5-2 Goscar, 7-2 Hooray Lady, 4-1 Puppet Show, 11-2 Ice Chocolate, 13-2 Hanseatic, 10-1 Bold Pillager, 12-1 others.

1987: SAILOR'S SONG 5-9-10 T Ives (20-1) N Vigors 18 ran

FORM GOSCAR beat hurdle winner Royal Derbi 1½l at Nottingham (1m) on his *penultimate start and drops back to a mile after a 4l* victory at Yarmouth (1m 2f) last time.
AL-TORFANAN has improved considerably this month and looked particularly impressive over a mile at Goodwood when 1l 2nd to Parklands Belle.
ICE CHOCOLATE produced the goods for new trainer Brooke Sanders at Epsom last time, beating Monteros Boy ¾l with PUPPET SHOW (9lb better off) 5½l away 4th and HANSEATIC (9lb better off) a further 3l away in 5th, and has good each way prospects.
HOORAY LADY has had a creditable season so far and cannot be discounted.
Selection: AL-TORFANAN

Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per cent
L Cumani	8	24	33.3
W O'Gorman	5	16	31.3
Mrs N Smith	3	12	25.0
G Harwood	19	78	24.4
M Stoute	27	122	22.1
J Tree	7	32	21.9

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per cent
Pat Eddery	48	193	24.9
G Starkey	18	96	18.8
N Cochrane	19	109	17.4
W R Swinburn	26	151	17.2
T Quinn	15	96	15.6

(Only qualifiers)

(Not including yesterday's results)

BEVERLEY

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Wentworth Prince.	2.15 Burning Breeches.
2.45 Pansong.	2.45 —
3.15 Tolerance.	3.15 My Greatest Star.
3.45 Burcroft.	3.45 —
4.15 Not Yet.	4.15 No Jazz.
4.45 Annaf.	4.45 Al Mansoura.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.15 **AFRICAN AFFAIR.**
Marten Julian's (Sunday *Times*) revised nap: 4.15 **GOOD N SHARP.**

Going: firm **Draw: 5f-1m, high numbers best**

2.15 EBF GARROWBY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O colts and geldings: £2,416: 1m 100yd) (8 runners)

2	(1)	00	**AWKWARD HARRY** 97 (Oaklea Bloodstock Limited) E Alston 9-0	A Proud	—
4	(3)		**BILLHEAD** (Duke of Sutherland) J Watts 9-0	M Roberts	86
7	(4)	60	*BURNING BREECHES 137 (K Bethel) R Boss 9-0*	A Mercer	86
13	(5)	00	**GOOD HAND** 33 (Mrs M Haggas) J Watts 9-0	K Fallon (3)	89
20	(2)	0	**NATIVE FRIEND** 27 (J Dick) Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0	M Birch	● 99
22	(6)	000	**QUALITAIR AVIATOR** 7 (Qualitair Holdings Limited) K Stone 9-0	J Fortune (7)	—
28	(8)	0	**TONGADIN** 23 (Oaklea Bloodstock Limited) E Alston 9-0	A Clark	97
30	(7)	44	*WENTWORTH PRINCE 43 (Prince Ahmed Salman) G Harwood 9-0*	A Cousins	—

BETTING: 7-4 Wentworth Prince, 11-4 Native Friend, 9-2 Billhead, 8-1 Qualitair Aviator, 14-1 Burning Breeches, 20-1 Good Hand, 25-1 Awkward Harry, Tongadin.

1987: BOLLIN PATRICK 9-0 M Birch (7-1) M H Easterby 11 ran

2.45 LEVEN NURSERY SELLING HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £1,379: 1m 100yd) (13 runners)

4	(13)	514600	**PANSONG** 6 (C,G) (C Barber-Lomax) T Fairhurst 9-7	N Connorton	87
5	(6)	0000	**GLASTONDALE** 82 (V) (F Lee) F Lee 9-6	S Perks	—
6	(5)	500	**JAUNTY GIG** 35 (W Stephenson) W Stephenson 9-6	J Lowe	82
7	(8)	0060	**NYQUIST** 8 (Nyquist Electrical Components Ltd) M Britain 9-6	M Wigham	—
10	(1)	0040	**RAY WITH WORDS** 39 (E Edmonds) C Tinkler 9-1	G Duffield	81
11	(4)	004	**EARLY SOUND** 57 (G Sampson) H Rohan 9-1	—	84
13	(5)	0300	**RYANS CARROLL** 39 (G Mansell) J Berry 9-0	J Carroll	82
16	(3)	6466	**FURRY QUEEN** 23 (Gymcrak Thoroughbred Racing Plc) M H Easterby 8-10	M Birch	80
19	(11)	00004	**BOBBY ON THE BANK** 39 (Oaklea Bloodstock Limited) E Alston 8-8	J Fortune (7)	57
21	(12)	000	**BOBBY ON THE BANK** 39 (C Galloway) P Charlton 8-5	L Charnock	—
22	(2)	00064	**THOMASON** 54 (V) (C Gallowey) P Charlton 8-5	J H Brown	● 99
23	(7)	460600	**NEW START** 11 (P Muldoon) S Muldoon 8-5	S Webster	82
24	*(10)*	050	**LINWITH LADY** 23 (P Eddel) D Chapman 8-2	S Morris	—
			SARAH'S FANTASY 95 (G Hartas) M Etherty 8-2		

BETTING: 3-1 New Star, 9-2 Bobby Of The Bank, 5-1 Pansong, 7-1 Nyquist, 10-1 Furry Queen, Jaunty Jig, 12-1 Early Sound, 14-1 Ray With Words, Ryans Carroll, 16-1 others.

1987: LOVER'S SECRET 9-4 Tyrone Williams (4-6 fav) P Haslam 15 ran

3.15 BURTON AGNES STUD CO MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,681: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

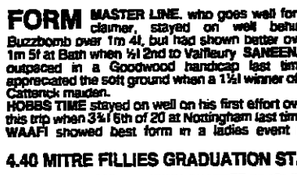
9	(6)	0	**GREENHILLS STAR** 7 (L Audus) M Ryan 8-11	N Gwilliams (7)	—
12	(4)		**LESCLACHA** (G Turnbull Ltd) M Camacho 8-11	N Connorton	—
14	(8)	6	*MESSARIA 15 (Mrs H Cambanis) J Jenkins 8-11*	M Roberts	81
15	(7)	5-43	**MY GREATEST STAR** 12 (Mrs J McAllister) H Cecil 8-11	W Ryan	● 99
16	(5)		**OWTFORNOWT** (Ruthven Urquhart) H Candy 8-11	J Carter (5)	—
22	(1)	0-0	**TOLERANCE** 97 (The Queen) N Graham 8-11	W Carson	—
24	*(2)*	5-62335	**VALIKA** 6 (Mrs D Carson) J Winter 8-11	T Ives	93
25	(3)	4-0	*VELLUTA 46 (BF) (Mrs M Watson-Smyth) G Harwood 8-11*	A Clarke	93
			VELLUTA 46 (BF) (Mrs M Watson-Smyth) G Harwood 8-11	A Clarke	93

BETTING: 8-11 My Greatest Star, 3-1 Velluta, 9-2 Valika, 8-1 Tolerance, 14-1 Owtfornowt, 25-1 Greenhills Star, Messaria, 50-1 Lesclacha.

1987: FIRGROVE 8-11 W Carson (11-1) W Hern 14 ran

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3.35 SANDOWN EXHIBITION CENTRE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,533: 5f) (10 runners)

405	(5)	080005	**SONILLA** 13 (D,F,S) (J Law) R Holder 9-7	J Williams	92
406	(4)	303213	**DIVINE PET** 6 (F) (Mrs R Newton) W Wightman 9-6	B Rouse	97
408	*(1)*	*165234*	*GRAND PRIX 13 (D,F) (Miss T Stone) R Akehurst 9-7*	*Pat Eddery*	● 99
409	(3)	602655	**CHAIN SHOT** 6 (B,D,F,S) (M Simmonds) N Vigors 9-0	W R Swinburn	96
413	(2)	502331	**COUNT ME OUT** 8 (B,F) (Mrs K Sneath) R Hoad 8-8 (7ex)	P Cook	98
414	(8)	324004	**RATION OF PASSION** 18 (N Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 8-7	J Reid	95
415	(7)	005831	**CHARM BIRD** 6 (D,F) (Miss E L Colter) L Holt 8-6 (7ex)	N Adams	97
417	(9)	620645	**MY PAL POPEYE** 15 (Mrs P Mitchell) P Mitchell 8-3	S Whitworth	98
419	(10)	365030	**DURATIVE** 8 (B) (A Richards) C Austin 8-1	A Mackay	95
421	(6)	000302	**MISLEAT** 6 (D Cooper) Mrs N Macauley 7-7	Dana Mellor (5)	97

Long handicap: Misleat 7-6.

BETTING: 3-1 Charm Bird, 4-1 Divine Pet, 5-1 Count Me Out, 6-1 Grand Prix, Ration Of Passion, 13-2 My Pal Popeye, 8-1 Sonilla, 10-1 others.

1987: LOFT BOY 4-8-11 P Cook (7-2 fav) N Vigors 13 ran

FORM DIVINE PET has a tendency to run in *snatches, but started to improve* when a good 2nd to Teeming Shore at Goodwood (5f) on his third last start and looks to have the beating of a number of today's rivals on form since then.
MY PAL POPEYE drops to the minimum trip after disappointing runs of late and may just find this to his liking. CHARM BIRD landed a maiden last time, beating the inconsistent MISLEAT (12lb better *terms) 3l, but looks little more than a plating-class* individual.
RATION OF PASSION faced a stiff task at Kempton (6f) last time and looks well held by DIVINE PET here. A fine through Teeming Shore also gives the *selection an edge over the top-weight SONILLA.*
Selection: DIVINE PET

4.5 SWAN LIGHTLY HANDICAP (£4,095: 1m 6f) (15 runners)

503	(2)	46-4100	**INDIAN BABA** 28 (S) (Mrs R Wraford) G Harwood 3-8-10	G Starkey	86
504	(4)	00-0265	**MASTER LINE** 13 (C,G) (Mrs Anderson) H Candy 7-9-8	J Fanning (7)	92
505	(6)	3-22050	**FAILIQ** 28 (B,F,G) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 4-9-6	pat Eddery	● 99
509	(11)	0015	**SANEENA** 26 (S) (Dana Stud Ltd) J Dunlop 3-9-4	J Reid	94
518	*(8)*	05046	**NOBSS TIME** 16 (V) *(Mrs A Stoffington) M Stoute 3-8-8*	W R Swinburn	98
518	(10)	32305-0	**THE REFRIGERATOR** 13 (S Morris Ltd) L Cottrell 4-8-6	I Johnson	90
521	(1)	544-424	**WAAFI** 15 (G) (Mrs A Sanders) K Bailey 5-8-5	M Hills	93
523	(12)	P21034	**ITMA** 39 (G) (R Gibbons) C Benstead 5-8-4	T Quinn	93
526	(5)	0/00045-	**CALAPAEZ** 166J (T Blake) Miss B Sanders 4-7-13	Dana Mellor (5)	89
527	(5)	433443	**CAMILLA'S GIRL** 9 (G) (Mrs J Cash) T Hallet 4-7-13	S Wood (5)	92
528	(7)	004450	**CRISP HEART** 23 (G Shropshire) J Winter 4-7-12	C Rutter	96
529	(3)	0008-40	**CONNATE** 43 (Mrs M Gibbons) R Akehurst 3-7-10	T Williams	80
530	(15)	055000	**BOLD ARCHER** 32 (F) (M Hammer) M Fetherston-Godley 5-7-7	N Adams	91
531	(13)	454050-	**THE GRIFTER** 214J (T Burrage) M Madgwick 4-7-7	S Dawson	—
532	(14)	000000	**L J'S PARROT** 45 (V) (Al-Deera Bloodstock Ltd) G Fytche 7-7-7	J Quinn	—

Long handicap: The Grifter 6-9, L J's Parrott 6-4.

BETTING: 3-1 Saneena, 4-1 The Refrigerator, 5-1 Master Line, 6-1 Indian Baba, 8-1 Waafi, 10-1 Hobbs Time, 12-1 Itma, 14-1 Camilla's Girl, 16-1 others.

1987: ILE DE ROI 4-10-1 W Newnes (4-1 fav) H Candy 12 ran

FORM MASTER LINE, who goes well for a claimer, stayed on well behind Buzzbomb over 1m 4l, but had shown better over 1m 5f at Bath when ½l 2nd to Valfleury SANEENA, outpaced in a Goodwood handicap last time, appreciated the soft ground when a 1½l winner of a Catterick maiden.
HOBSS TIME stayed on well on his first effort over this trip when 3¼l 6th of 20 at Nottingham last time.
WAAFI showed best form in a ladies event at Yarmouth in August when ½l 2nd to Merchants Dream (1m 6f).
ITMA stays well and was 2¼l 3rd to Fourth Lad at Lingfield in August (2m) with CAMILLA'S GIRL (same terms) ¾l 4th and L J'S PARROT, who has yet to reach the frame in a 14 race career, well beaten. CRISP HEART and CONNATE are well handicapped on their best form but are still maidens.
Selection: MASTER LINE

4.40 MITRE FILLIES GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £2,578: 1m 2f) (6 runners)

502	(6)	1632-5	*KNOWN CHARTER 23 (G) (R Barnett) H Candy 9-6*	W Newnes	● 99
503	(3)	1	**LOVERS TRYST** 92 (D,F) (Lady Herries) Lady Herries 9-6	J Reid	96
504	(2)	20221	**SALONNIERE** 32 (D,S) (Miss K Rausing) B Hanbury 9-6	Pat Eddery	93
510	(4)	065	**MARVA** 70 (A Th Van der Lecq) J Winter 8-11	B Raymond	74
513	(5)	44	**ORGANZA** 32 (G Leigh) J Hills 8-11	R Cochrane	98
514	(1)	604343	**OUBLIER L'ENNUI** 85 (N Goymer) Miss B Sanders 8-11	B Rouse	95

● The trainer states that Salonniere will only run if there is overnight rain

BETTING: 2-1 Lovers Tryst, 7-2 Salonniere, 4-1 Known Charter, 13-2 Oublier L'Ennui, 8-1 Organza, 10-1 Marva.

1987: TITTLEMOUSE 8-11 P Cook (10-1) D Arbuthnot 13 ran

FORM LOVERS TRYST was slowly away and ran green in the early stages of her Bath debut (1m 2f 50yd), but eventually realised what was required and finished fast to beat Casey a head.
KNOWN CHARTER's two-year-old form included a 2¼l 3rd to Suntrap at Warwick and a soft ground neck 2nd to Cash In Store at Lingfield. SALONNIERE *gained a deserved win in a soft* ground Chester maiden last time (1m 2f 85yd) with ORGANZA (9lb better off) 12½l 4th, but her best form has been with some cut in the ground.
MARVA *races over this trip for the first time* following a 7l 5th of 8 to Musical Charm in Kempton maiden. OUBLIER L'ENNUI has had her chances in maidens, but showed best form in a Newbury handicap last time when 2¼l 3rd to True Queen.
Selection: LOVERS TRYST

5.10 ALINGTON MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,792: 7f) (13 runners)

2	(9)	622222	**GEORGE HOBART** 11 (B,BF) (R Clifford-Turner) J Tree 9-0	Pat Eddery	● 99
3	(12)	0-	**HEREWARD** 333 (D Hunnisett) J Dunlop 9-0	W R Swinburn	—
4	(4)	020000	**LEARNING FAST** 18 (R Barnett) H Candy 9-0	C Rutter	79
6	(3)	532-	**MASNUN** 330 (BF) (I Page) R O'Sullivan 9-0	—	83
7	(10)	350420	**MY MALLET** 13 (N Goymer) Miss B Sanders 9-0	B Rouse	96
10	(2)	20	**SHARP SHAPE** 7 (R Shannon) L Cumani 9-0	R Cochrane	95
13	*(11)*	*3-04*	*TUTOR 21 (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 9-0*	J Reid	83
15	(7)	00	**GORGEOUS LADY** 125 (Hesmonds Stud) H Candy 8-11	W Newnes	—
16	(1)	50	**MY MAZIONAH** 62 (W Cox) D Marks 8-11	—	70
18	(13)	0-532	**PROVOCATION** 27 (Miss J Reed) D Elsworth 8-11	S Dawson	77
19	(8)	3-20	**SHARP COOKIE** 131 (BF) (Mrs M O'Shea) P Cole 8-11	T Quinn	78
21	(6)	0-50	*STRAW CASTLE 23 (Mrs M Sullivan) W Haggas 8-11*	M Hills	89
24	(5)	00-0600	**WHAT A HOPE** 11 (I Tough) P Howling 8-11	I Johnson	—

BETTING: 11-4 Sharp Shape, 3-1 George Hobart, 4-1 Provocation, 6-1 Tutor, 8-1 Masnun, 10-1 My Mallet, 14-1 others.

1987: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM GEORGE HOBART arguably did not stay when ½l 2nd to Marksmanship (WHAT A HOPE well behind) over a mile in a Goodwood maiden last time and is better judged on his 7f run at Epsom when 3l 2nd to Sea Saga.
MASNUN has not been out since a 2l 2nd to Red Ballad in a soft ground Redcar maiden last October. MY MALLET lacks pace, but up to form here (1m) on penultimate start when 2l 2nd to Darnelle. SHARP SHAPE disappointed at Yarmouth, but has claims if reproducing a 3l 2nd to Strike Force in a York maiden on debut.
TUTOR has been beaten big distances by classy horses, most recently 10l 4th of 6 to Saudi Desert in a York maiden (1m). PROVOCATION is gradually improving and stayed on well over 6f at Brighton when ½l 2nd to Ballafort.
Selection: GEORGE HOBART

3.45 CHERRY BURTON HANDICAP (£2,254: 1m 4f) (9 runners)

4	(1)	512130	**BURCROFT** 12 (D,F,G,S) (R Lee) R Whitaker 4-9-10	Dean McKeown	97
9	(5)	03-5640	**GREY ADMIRAL** 33 (G Horsford) Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-9-5	K Fallon (3)	96
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THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

Leman points way ahead as a bold new spirit prevails

From Sydney Friskin

The Great Britain men's hockey team, looking more competent and composed after their 2-2 draw with South Korea, overcame Canada 3-0 yesterday with a bold new approach to their group B match.

A 6-0 scoreline would have been a proper reflection of the run of play, Britain having taken 17 shots at goal to the two produced by Canada in 70 minutes. They hung on grimly but could not in the end contain the British attack.

Much of Britain's planning was initiated by Leman at inside right with, Dodds offering solid support at centre half. Leman was eventually taken off and replaced by Garcia, aged 18, in the 57th minute. But he had done enough and by that time a 2-0 lead had been established.

The match was only two minutes old when Canada were dealt a crippling blow. Bhaura, running at great speed down the right flank, parted with the ball in favour of Potter, who drew it back from the line and passed to Kerly. A defender's stick intervened as Kerly tried to shoot and the ball ran loose to Sherwani, who promptly drove it into goal.

Canada's response was to force three short corners from which two shots by Sandhu went astray and their efforts faded to leave Britain in command for the remainder of the first half.

After Britain had squandered short corners, Leman set up a chance in the 22nd minute for Bhaura, but Goodwin came out of goal to make a great save. Four minutes later he saved again from Kerly at a short corner and the first half ended with another abortive corner to Canada.

The second half began with a short corner to Canada, after which Britain had two of these awards, the second of which was converted by Barber, the ball spinning into goal off Goodwin's pads.

Two chances of consolidation were ruined, the first by Kerly, whose reverse shot from Leman's pass went adrift, and the second, an easier one, by Bhaura, who misfired from Kerly's pass. The first substitution was then made with Batchelor taking over from Bhaura.

Batchelor was inconspicuous until he suddenly appeared at great speed on the left wing, devouring ground at every stride and flicking the ball to Dodds, who pushed it into an open goal, Goodwin having abandoned his post in a futile attempt to intercept. In the remaining eight minutes Britain had one more short corner.

Roger Self, the team manager, said: "It was a difficult task reviving team spirit after the demoralizing draw against the South Koreans. But in the last 20 minutes today we began to play superb hockey and that is a heartening thought."

GREAT BRITAIN: I Taylor; D Faulkner, P Barber, J Potter, R Dodds (capt), M Grimley, K Bhaura (sub: S Batchelor), R Leman (sub: R Garcia), S Kerly, R Clift, I Sherwani.

CANADA: K Goodwin; R Bird, P Burrows, P Caruso, H Sandhu, S Chohan, C Gifford, R Rutledge (capt), P Milkovich, R Albert, T Porritt.

Umpires: P van Beneden (Belgium), A Dhak (Kenya).

Britain's mighty test

From Sydney Friskin

At the end of yesterday's matches, Britain were second in group B, a point behind the Soviet Union, who defeated South Korea 3-1 to be one of three teams with full points in the competition. The others are Pakistan and Australia.

With Canada to play tomorrow, the Soviet Union should be in the happy position of being six points to the good. On the same day Britain will play West Germany and as the Germans dropped a point yesterday in a 1-1 draw with India they, like Britain, will strive mightily for victory.

Pakistan shot to the top of group A with an easy 8-0 victory over Kenya, Tariq Sheikh having a splendid day by scoring four goals. Mark Hager scored two goals in Australia's 4-0 victory over Argentina who, though delightful to watch, lacked the fire so conspicuous in the Australian game.

The Netherlands, the third team in this group in contention for a place in the semi-finals, dropped a valuable point in a 1-1 draw with Spain. With barely two minutes to go, Ignacio Escude, Spain's danger-man, cancelled out the lead Kooijman had given the Dutch from a penalty stroke midway in the second half.



Olympic leap: Carl Lewis, winner of four gold medals in Los Angeles, in training yesterday

Todd lives up to expectations with flawless test

From Jenny MacArthur

Mark Todd and Charisma, New Zealand's defending Olympic individual gold medal winners, have never lacked a sense of occasion. Yesterday, in the Seoul equestrian park, they performed the best dressage test of their long career to go into the lead at the end of that phase of the Olympic three-day event.

Todd, who rode his test in brilliant sunshine — a sharp contrast to the monsoon rain of the previous day when Captain Mark Phillips competed — established a two-point lead over the top West German rider, Claus Erhorn. The individual placings went much to form with Virginia Leng, the world champion, ending the day handily placed in third position.

Erhorn's good test on Justyn Thyme, a horse he bought from the British rider, Anne-Marie Taylor, nearly two years ago, lifted the young West German team into first place with the British second and the New Zealanders third. The United States, who led throughout the competition in Los Angeles but who are finding it a tougher battle in Seoul, could reach only fourth place. Their best performance came from Bruce Davidson, on Dr Peaches, whose score was a fraction of a point behind Ian Stark, of Britain, on Sir Wattie.

Despite the lack of atmosphere around the main arena — there was only a sprinkling of somewhat bemused spectators — Todd's Charisma was in no doubt about the occasion. Looking every inch a champion — and more like a six-year-old than a 16-year-old — he performed a sparkling, accurate test, clearly enjoying every minute of it. The New Zealand-bred gelding, whose record (five wins and three second places out of 10 three-day event starts) is unequalled, is to be retired after the Olympics. Todd could not have asked for a finer last dressage test.

Leng was equally pleased with her performance. Master Craftsman, "a very intelligent, laid-back sort of chap", is half Charisma's age and still learning. This was his biggest test to date and the young horse made a supreme effort: he was engaged throughout and showed he can now maintain a well rounded outline. He looked altogether much more mature than at Badminton in May.

Stark's concern with Sir Wattie was to keep him calm. A good gallop earlier that morning appeared to have done the trick, apart from a moment towards the end of the first extended canter when it looked as if Stark might not get him back. Sir Wattie settled down into an active, obedient test which looked as if it could have been marked more generously.

Although it did not affect any of the British riders there were some wide discrepancies in the marks of the three judges, with the French judge, François Lucas, pursuing the most radical line. The New Zealand rider, Tinks Pottinger, who rides Volunteer, anticipated a low mark from Lucas as she had been marked down by him at Badminton. Her assumption proved correct, prompting Pottinger to say that the dressage is "prejudged".

Lucas may have thought Volunteer was overbent — a fault which, like unlevelness, he is quick to penalize. The Australian, David Green, on Shannagh, and the United States rider, Karen Lende, on The Optimist, discovered this to their cost.

TENNIS

Bates plays a part in making history

From Richard Evans, Seoul

It would have been a dramatic match under any circumstances but as an opener for tennis in the Olympics, it will live in Jeremy Bates's memory longer than most.

After nearly four hours on court 12 of this splendid tennis complex, Bates wore down the relentless Israeli left-hander, Gilad Bloom, 4-6, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, 9-7, in a match that proved the longest and most exciting encounter of an historic day for the sport.

With Stefan Edberg, the Wimbledon champion, opening the centre court programme with a three-set win over Horst Skoff, of Austria, the professionals were taking their place alongside the amateurs of other sports in perfect harmony. There will be no turning back.

Bates was nearly turned back by a sudden stomach problem, though. Rushing off court at 4-2 up in the fourth set, Bates returned after six minutes feeling and playing better.

It was only when he came to serve for the match at 5-3 in the fifth set that a combination of Israeli luck and poor judgement let the British player in for an even longer struggle. A lunging volley by Bloom fell off the racket frame for a winner and when Bates over hit an approach shot, he had lost his serve to love.

As Bloom had saved three match points in the previous game with three clean winners, Bates could easily have become despondent. But even though Bloom saved a fourth match point with a good serve at 7-8, Bates finally broke through to claim a victory of Olympian proportions.

● Players hit out at the Korean-made balls being used for the Olympics when the tennis tournament began. "I might as well admit it, they are the worst balls we've ever used in tennis, but we've got to play with them," Stefan Edberg said.

CYCLING

Sturgess is among the fastest

Seoul (Agencies) — Colin Sturgess, the British teenager, set the third-fastest time in the qualifying heats of the 4,000 metres individual pursuit at the Olympic Velodrome yesterday. The fastest 16 qualified for the knockout stage.

Bernd Dittert, of East German, led the qualifiers with a time of 4min 34.45sec; the world champion, Gintautas Umaras, from the Soviet Union, took second place in 4:35.03.

But Sturgess, aged 19, finished less than a second behind both of them, in 4:35.42, and beat Gary Anderson, the New Zealander, in the process. The Leicester rider also finished one place ahead of Dean Woods, the highly rated Australian. The knockout rounds started early this morning.

Alexander Kirichenko, an unheralded rider from the Soviet Union, surprisingly defeated the world champion, Martin Vinnecombe, of Australia, to win the 1km time-trial yesterday.

Kirichenko, aged 21, joined his country's national team last year. Starting sixteenth out of 30, he sped round the track in 1:04.499 at an average speed of 55.814 k.p.h.

Vinnecombe, a notoriously poor starter, threw everything into the final lap but narrowed the gap only slightly. Robert Lechner, of West Germany, took the bronze medal.

Batty and Martin on collusion course for long-distance gold

From Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

When Eamonn Martin went to compete in the Oslo 10,000 metres, his first track race at the distance three months ago, he was still suffering the anonymity induced by long-term injury. Less than 27 and a half minutes later, Martin was favourite for the Olympic title.

Not only had Martin won against the best field of the year thus far, running 27.23.06, the fifth best ever and the fastest debut, but, in setting a national record, he had restored some credibility to domestic distance running, whose principal exponents in the decade since Brendan Foster and Dave Bedford had laboured under the delusion that 28min was a good time.

"I knew I would either run 27.40 or 28.40," he said. "In fact, I knew I could run 27.30. But the one thing I didn't want to do was run 28.10. It ain't bad, but it's no man's land."

That is a place Martin is all too familiar with. The Oslo race was practically his first really good one since the last Olympic Games. He got a foot injury before Los Angeles, which took well over a year to properly diagnose, and almost two more years to cure, due in no small part to continuing lack of sports injury expertise in Britain. He ended up going to Finland.

"Going to work became a bit of a pain. I started avoiding people, because mates would stop me and say, 'You'll never run again'. The worst part was watching the European championships in Stuttgart in 1986. I felt pleased for Jack and Tim [Backner and Hutchings, first and third in the 5,000 metres]. But I knew I was as good as them. And I couldn't wait to get fit, and get at 'em straight away."

Such a demeanour is deserving of success, and, apart from his Basildon AC colleagues — "they'd see the training sessions I'd do, and encourage me" — the greatest ally in the pursuit of fitness was his coach, Mel Batty, the former world road 10-miles record holder.

The meeting of athletic talent and inspirational coaching is relatively rare. Although Martin, as a teenager, joined Thurrock Harriers, where Batty was an official, it took the youngster some time to recognize the collusion course to success.

"I managed to win the Essex cross-country without training too hard; I was doing the classic things, boozing, et cetera," Martin said. "Mel gave me a lift to a race one day, and told me I was wasting my talent. So I went away and wasted it for another year before I decided it was time to go out and achieve. But I don't think I'd be at the level I am now without him. His enthusiasm is so infectious, and he was great when I ws injured.

"I wouldn't be doing the 10,000 metres now if it wasn't for him. I always knew I would do it one day, but I thought Olympic year was a bad time to experiment. He coaxed me into it really by persuading me to go to Oslo."

That, as Martin recognizes, is now history. He has now got to go out and do it again, starting with the heats on Friday morning. And one 10,000 metres, no matter how fast, may not be the best preparation to win an Olympic title.

"I know I'm favourite for the 10," he said. "And you have to attune your mind to longer distances. Like in Oslo. I knew I could do it if I didn't fall apart mentally. My advantage is that, although I've only run 3.40 for 1,500 metres, I can outsprint 3.36 runners."



Martin: 10,000m favourite

YACHTING

Childerley holds Britain's hopes

From Barry Pickthall, Pusan

It was a day of mixed fortunes for Britons competing in the first races of the regatta here yesterday. Stuart Childerley, one of Britain's top medal hopes, finished fourth in the Finn single-hander class, and the two keelboat crews — Mike McIntyre and Bryune Vaile in the Star, and Lawrie Smith, Ed Leask and Jerry Richards, in the Soling — both ended the day a respectable sixth.

While McIntyre and Vaile can be pleased with their performance, Smith and his crew showed particular grit. Caught on the wrong side of a wind shift shortly after the start, the trio were counted down to twelfth at one point, but fought back to round the weather mark at ninth and continued to pull through the fleet as the East Germans overturned a seemingly certain American victory on the last leg.

Unfortunately, Debbie Jarvis and Sue Hay were caught out before the start of the 470 race when they allowed their New Zealand rivals to collide while their boat was stalled on the start line.

The two British women went on to finish twelfth in a race dominated by Marit Soderstrom and Birgitta Bengtsson, of Sweden, but were then disqualified for failing to keep clear of the leeward New Zealand boat.

Simon Goody also finished twelfth in the second division of the sailboard class, which was won yesterday by Jan Boersma from the Dutch Antilles. But the British sailor, whose forte is in lighter winds to yesterday's 15 to 20-knot breeze, was in good company. Robert Nagy, the world champion, was struck by first-day nerves: the Frenchman fell off his board five times before crossing the finish line in fifteenth place.

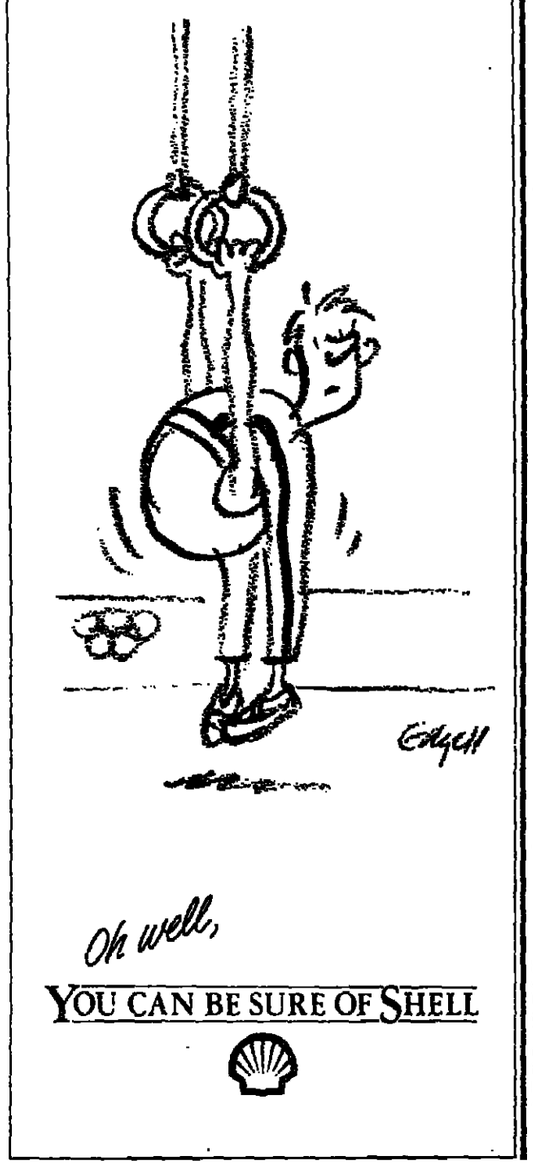
The British were caught out by their own weather estimates, which suggested that the winds would be five knots less than reality. The 470 sailors were the worst affected: Jason Belben and Andrew Hemmings ended the day seventeenth, and Rob White and Jeremy Newman dropped from second to twelfth.

French crews won two of the classes in flying style. The Tornado sailors, Jean-Yves le Deroff and Nicholas Henard, took a 2min 15sec lead, while Thierry Peponnet and Luke Pillot left the West German, New Zealand and Spanish teams to fight over the scraps in the wake of their 470.

The worst sufferer of bad luck, however, were the British Flying Dutchman pair, Roger Yeoman and Neil McDonald. One minute before the start, their jib became tangled with the forestay as they unfurled it, and by the time that particular knitting had been sorted, the fleet had long gone.

The two nevertheless put up a remarkable performance, finishing twelfth in a race won by the Danish pair, Jorgan Bojsen-Moller and Christian Gronborg.

The most promising performance among the British yesterday came from Childerley, and with two of his greatest rivals, Austria's Hans Spitzauer and Oleg Khoperski, of the Soviet Union, disqualified after colliding with other competitors, the former European champion remains our brightest prospect for a medal.



BOXING

Korean takes revenge over unlucky Walsh

Irish officials complained bitterly about Korean tactics today after Billy Walsh became their first boxer to go out of the tournament. Walsh suffered a cut left eye in the second round of his first preliminary bout with Kyung-Sup Song, the South Korean welterweight.

The New Zealand referee, Keith Walker, halted the bout one second before the bell to end the round after Walsh had taken two standing counts. But the Irish manager, Pat McCrory, said: "It was rank bad refereeing to let the Korean get away with using his head the way he did.

"Billy was cut above and below his eye and with a headguard on there was no way a punch could have caused it." Walsh had knocked out the Korean in a pre-Olympic tournament in March.

The United States team, meanwhile, scored its second victory when Kenneth Gould, at welterweight, outpointed Joseph Marwa, of Tanzania. Gould's victory revived American medal hopes following the defeat of the world amateur featherweight champion, Kelcie Banks, and the disqualification of Anthony Hembrick, a middleweight, for arriving late for his bout.

Yesterday Juan Antonio Samaranch, the president of the International Olympic Committee, turned down a final appeal by the American camp to have Hembrick reinstated. The boxer he should have faced on Monday, Jong Ho Ha, yesterday became the first South Korean to be defeated when he was outpointed by Sven Ottke, of West Germany.

The quickest winner yesterday was Rouslan Taramov, the Soviet middleweight, who knocked out Samuel Simbo, of Sierra Leone, after 1min 1sec of the first round.

VOLLEYBALL

Superiority confirmed

Seoul (AP) — China began the defence of the women's title by beating the United States 3-0 in a replay of the 1984 final. With Yang Xilan leading a clockwork offence and impenetrable defence, the Chinese had few problems as they won 15-9, 15-5, 15-7.

The Americans, who had rebuilt their team after the Los Angeles Games, committed numerous sloppy errors against opponents who refused to concede easy points.

The match between Japan, and the Soviet Union was a much more thrilling affair. Japan survived match point four times before winning 15-2, 8-15, 15-12, 10-15, 19-17, their opponents not conceding defeat until the seventh match point.

FOOTBALL

Argentinians are facing an early exit

Seoul (Agencies) — Argentina, winners of two of the last three World Cups, fell to last place in group B after losing 2-1 to the Soviet Union in Taegu and now seem certain to be eliminated. They were two down in 21 minutes and it was not until 14 minutes from time that Moreno narrowed the margin.

The USSR have three points from two games, the United States and South Korea two each, following yesterday's goalless game between them, and Argentina one.

Romario scored all three goals as Brazil made their superior technique tell against Australia in group D, which virtually clinched their quarter-final berth. The Australians managed only two shots at goal whereas Romario, who scored twice in the 4-0 win over Nigeria, could have had four, but missed a twice-taken penalty.

The Nigerians did manage a goal against Yugoslavia in Taejon, but it did not come until the 88th minute, when they were three down.

Italy's 4-0 defeat by Zambia on Monday has caused a national outcry. Antonio Matarrese, president of the Italian Football Federation, called the result "a shame for which the players will have to make an account to Italian supporters." Many commentators compared the reverse with that suffered against North Korea in the 1966 World Cup in England.

MODERN PENTATHLON

Test of nerves for Phelps

From John Goodbody

Britain are still heading for a medal after the swimming, the third of the five disciplines. In the team competition, Britain remain second behind Hungary, who so far have been unstoppable, and Richard Phelps has moved into fourth place in the individual event.

With cross-country running, in which Phelps is probably one of the two best in the competition, the fifth event, much depends on today's shooting. Four years ago in Los Angeles Phelps lost the gold medal with his nervousness.

Ron Bright, the team manager, said yesterday: "Technically Richard is much better than in 1984; it is a matter of his nerves and whether he overcomes them."

In 1984 several teams (but not Britain) took beta-blockers to steady their nerves. The drug was then banned by the International Olympic Committee. Yesterday, Bright said the number of dope tests had been doubled to 24, to safeguard the competition.

Yesterday, Graham Brookhouse was sixth and Phelps eighth in the 300 metres freestyle. But Dominic Mahony, nursing a recently damaged knee, was more than six seconds slower than expected. Bright remained confident that his running would not be affected. Mahony, sixth in the world championships last year, is eleventh overall.



Mrs Christine Posselt and her husband, Robert (left), from Pagham, Sussex, are presented with their tickets for the Seoul Olympics after winning a competition presented by The Times and Grant Thornton, the chartered accountants. The presentation was made by Mr David Toakinson, the chairman of the Grant Thornton Olympic Association

SHOOTING

Yugoslav wins record final

Seoul (AP) — Goran Maksimovic, a student, aged 25, yesterday won Yugoslavia's first gold medal of the Games in the men's air rifle competition with 695.6 points. All eight finalists broke the Olympic record.

The world champion, Dmitri Monakov, of the Soviet Union, won the men's trap shooting with 222 points. Miloslav Bednarik, of Czechoslovakia, finishing with the same finals tally as the winner, was awarded the silver. The Commonwealth champion, Ian Peel, from Clitheroe, Lancashire, struggled to find his best form in stifling heat and could finish only equal 25th.

THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

Jameson after same colour of medal as his room-mate's

From Steven Downes

A Commonwealth and a Scottish record on the fourth day of the Seoul Games were evidence of the inspired form Britain's swimming team is enjoying.

In the men's 100 metres butterfly Andy Jameson had come to Seoul as a contender for a medal but yesterday's performance of 53.34 seconds, knocking 0.15sec off the Commonwealth record he had set in winning the European title last year, had the Liverpool swimmer looking as good as gold.

He achieved his rating as the fastest qualifier for the final – due to be held in the early hours of this morning – ahead of the times set by the Olympic champion, Michael Gross, and Matt Biondi and Jon Sieban.

"It felt so easy that I was worried that I wasn't going fast enough," Jameson, aged 23 and a graduate in financial studies from Arizona University, said. "It is so easy to take it easy because you are one of the favourites and then not make the final, and I didn't want that sort of disappointment."

Jameson, speaking with a mid-Atlantic accent, has acquired some American traits, not least his positive attitude. After his heat yesterday he oozed confidence. Rooming with the gold-medal winner, Adrian Moorhouse, Jameson has seen what he wants. "I had a look at Adie's medal. Took a bite at it to check it was real. It was beautiful, wonderful. I want one."

He has no problems, either, about the way the competition timetable has been made. "It's good for me because I like to give everything when I race, then have a rest before swimming the final. And I swim better in the mornings, even at noon."

The other record for the British team came from Ruth Gilfillan, from Dundee. Relieved of her relay duties to concentrate on her individual events, Gilfillan lopped 0.55sec off her previous Scottish record, her 2min 02.11sec securing her a place in the compensation final.

There was disappointment, however, for John Davey in the 400 metres medley. Like Gilfillan, he swam the twelfth fastest time in the heats, but he was then disqualified for a faulty kick during the breaststroke stage.

"It was not intention, I wasn't even aware of it," he said, sounding very disappointed, as well he might, since had his time of 4min 24.86sec been ratified, he would have been within seven-tenths of his British record. Davey's disqualification does allow his team-mate, Paul Brew, into the B final, however, his 4min 27.22sec being sixteenth fastest.

Britain's other B finalist will be in the 100 metres butterfly, as Neil Cochran swam 54.75. Cochran won two bronze medals in 1984, one of them in the 4 x 200 metres freestyle relay, but there will be no such award for the squad of 1988.

After much agonizing over the composition of the team, the eventual quartet of Boyd, Howe, Broughton and Lee finished nearly five seconds down on what Cochran's crew had managed four years ago, when they knew that an even better time than that British record would be required just to make the final.



Floating like a butterfly, stinging like a bee and looking as good as gold: Jameson leaves the world gasping in the wings during his record-setting heat

How Louganis overtook disaster with triumph

From Steven Downes

The exciting moments in diving are few and usually perilous, like when a group of professionals organized a competition in Acapulco, hurling themselves off the cliffs and hoping that the wash from the Gulf of Mexico would cover the craggy rocks before they did. And, in a sense, the crowd that filled the Chamsil pool in Seoul yesterday for the final of the men's springboard were there to see whether the world's most celebrated diver, Greg Louganis, would also be washed up.

He is the best in the world. At Los Angeles four years ago, he won both springboard and highboard Olympic titles, becoming the first man since the war to achieve such a double. His dominance, however, goes beyond that: since 1978 he has collected five world and 47 United States titles.

Yet in the preliminaries here on Monday, Louganis, aged 27, suffered public humiliation when his head crashed against the board on his descent from a dive. Instead of his usual tally of scores, he was awarded a meagre total of just over six points.

Could he return the following day and defend his title, despite such disaster, when all 12 finalists would begin again on level terms? The answer was to be provided with his ninth-round dive. By that stage, in what was otherwise a poor competition, he was already 20 points clear of his nearest rival, Deliang Tan, of China. What lay ahead of him was the dive which had beaten him the day before.

In fairness, a reverse two-and-a-half somersault in the pike position is one of the hardest there is, with a degree of difficulty of 3.0. With most divers, the springboard event sounds like a storm in reverse, the board's bend providing the thunder, the diver's entry giving the lightning crash.

Yet with Louganis, there is an odd silence after he leaves the board, as he whispers through his manoeuvres high in the air, and then enters the water perfectly, hardly creating a ripple. So it was on this occasion.

The relief showed as Louganis lifted himself on to the poolside, for, despite the stitches on the crown of his head causing him pain whenever he smiles, he was beaming as he got out, the grin of a man who knows he has done a little more than just win an Olympic gold medal.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS FROM SEOUL

BASKETBALL

Men

GROUP A: Puerto Rico 79, South Korea 74; Yugoslavia 102, Central African Republic 61; Soviet Union 91, Australia 69.

GROUP B: Brazil 130, China 108; United States 76, Canada 70; Spain 113, Egypt 70.

BOXING

Wetterweight

FIRST ROUND: S Antman (Swe), bt I Lesivakarua (Fiji), rsc 2nd; K Gould (US) bt J Marwa (Tan), pts: A Ankamah (Ghana) bt B Simbeye (Malawi), ko 1st; F Masoe (American Samoa) bt P Reynoso (Dom Rep), rsc 1st: F Mohinga (Central African Republic) bt A Nzuzi (Angola), pts; S Mehmart (EG) bt J Ortiz (P Rico), pts; A Taouane (Mor) bt T Tien (Viet), pts; D Chasala (Zam) bt W Oliveira (Br), rsc 1st; V Erechtchenko (USSR) bt Y Takahashi (Japan), pts; S Kyung-Sup (S Kor) bt W Walsh (Ire), rsc 2nd; A Kürzler (WG) bt K Omona (Uga), pts; J Nyman (Fin) bt M Sobral (Can), pts.

Light-middleweight

FIRST ROUND: F Mayo (Cameroon) bt M Wiawindi (Central African Republic), rsc 1st; R Dewney (Can) bt J Lopez (Arg), pts; N Nerroba (WG) bt G Felix (Grenada), ko 1st; L Mercado (Ec) bt E Quaye (Ghana), ko 3rd; A-H Syed (Pak) bt N Medzane (Alg), ko 2nd.

Middleweight

SECOND ROUND: S Mojela (Lesotho) bt S Stubblefield (Lebanon), pts; S Ottke (WG) bt Ha Jong-Ho (S Kor), pts; D Dukic (Yug) bt V Lesiva (Western Somoa), rsc 2nd; R Taramov (USSR) bt S Simbo (Sierra Leone), ko 1st; E Marcus (Can) bt E Legaspi (Phil), ko 1st; M Mastrodonato (It) bt A Hembnick (US), w/o; H Syed (Pak) bt M Amarillas (Mex), pts; E Hukkanen (Fin) bt R Martinez (Honduras), pts; M Kabongo (Zaire) bt J Iahuat (Vanuatu), rsc 1st; Z Fuzesy (Hun) bt A Dine (Alg) pts.

CYCLING

Men

4,000 metres time trial

FINAL: 1, A Kirichenko (USSR), 1min 04.499sec; 2, M Vinnicombe (Aus), 1:04.784; 3, R Lechner (WG), 1:05.114; 4, K Ropke (Den), 1:05.168; 5, B Gonzalez (Sp), 1:05.281; 6, M Malchow (EG), 1:05.393; 7, A Graham (NZ), 1:05.744; 8, F Magne (Fr), 1:06.142; 9, R Travella (Switz), 1:06.209; 10, C Anderson (Br), 1:06.282; 11, C Harnett (Can), 1:06.291; 12, G Samuel (Trinidad and Tobago), 1:06.560; 13, M Alexandre (Arg), 1:06.925; 14, B Livingston (US), 1:06.926; 15, Um Young-Sup (S Kor), 1:07.000; 16, H Toyooka (Japan), 1:07.240; 17, M Hamalainen (Fin), 107.384; 18, T Detarri (Neth), 1:07.555; 19, M Pons (Ec), 1:08.351; 20, G Mandy (Zim), 1:08.474; 21, P Hermann (Liechtenstein), 1:08.999; 22, Lee Fu-Hsiang (Chinese-Taipei), 1:09.024; 23, M-E Leiva-Buhler (Guatemala), 1:09.214; 24, R Chase (Ber), 1:09.994; 25, R Alwi (Mal), 1:10.446; 26, G Rimaran (Phil), 1:11.547; 27, J Ehsekhari (Iran), 1:11.583; 28, M Smith (Cayman Islands), 1:11.820; 29, B Becerra (Bol), 1:13.513; 30, N Lloyd (Antigua), 1:18.324.

4,000 metres individual pursuit

First qualification

1, B Dittert (EG), 4min 34.45sec; 2, G Umaras (USSR), 4:35.03; 3, C Sturgess (GB), 4:35.42; 4, D Woods (Aus), 4:35.89; 5, R Dawdowicz (Pol), 4:36.21; 6, P Clausen (Den), 4:38.86; 7, I Beltrami (It), 4:40.94; 8, G Anderson (NZ), 4:41.83; 9, B Rast (Switz), 4:43.41; 10, T Dirst (WG), 4:45.59; 11, J Tuunen (Fin), 4:47.05; 12, G Curuchet (Arg), 4:47.18; 13, R Cermak (Can), 4:47.63; 14, D Brinton (US), 4:48.93; 15, M Sornogyi (Hun), 4:49.38; 16, E Cent (Neth), 4:54.16; 17, J Mantarena (Sp), 4:54.39; 18, P Matt (Liechtenstein), 4:57.47; 19, Park Min-Soo (S Kor), 4:58.57; 20, A Silvestre (Br), 5:02.07; Mi Chaichi-Raghami (Iran) and R Jessurun (Surinam) overtaken.

DIVING

Men

Springboard

FINAL: 1, G Louganis (US), 730.80pts; 2, T Langdale (China), 704.88; 3, Li Deliang (China), 685.28; 4, A Kilat (WG), 661.47; 5, M Bradshaw (US), 642.99; 6, J Mondragon (Mex), 616.02; 7, J Mena (Mex), 598.77; 8, E Jongejans (Neth), 588.33; 9, N Stajkovic (Austria), 570.60; 10 A Portnov (USSR), 563.37; 11, K Kaneto (Japan), 562.05; 12, V Goncharov (USSR), 554.16.

EQUESTRIANISM

Three-day event

Dressage

(Two days combined)

INDIVIDUALS: 1, M Todd (NZ), 37.60pts; 2, C Ehrorn (WG), 39.5; 3, V Lang (GB), 43.2; 4, T Kasparelt (WG), 46.8; 5, I Stark (GE), 50.0; 6, B Davidson (US), 50.4; 7, M Baumann (WG), 50.6; 8, A Bennie (NZ), 52.2; 9, K Straker (GB), 53.2; 10, P Dawson (US), 54.6; 11, D Green (Aus), 55.0; 12, B Jarecki (Pol), 58.6; 13, A Hoy (Aus), 57.0; 14, A Sutton (US), 57.2; 15, J Teulere (Fr), 57.6; 16, R Campello (It), 57.8; 17, B Ambrosiona (It), 58.8; 18, T Wilson (P Rico), 59.2; 19, V Berther (Fr), 59.4; 20, M-C Duroy (Fr), 60.0; 21, K Lande (US), 64.2; 22, P Mommers (Fr), 64.6; 23, T Pottinger (NZ), 65.8; 24, R Ehrenbrink (WG), 66.2; 25, H Watanabe (Japan), 67.2; 26, S Keach (Aus), 67.6; 27, D Costantini (It), 67.8; 28, Choi Myung-Jin (S Kor), 69.4; 29, S De La Rocha (Sp), 69.6; 30, F Gerardi (It), 70.8; 31, N Holmes-Smith (Can), 71.8; equal 32, K Ratalak (Pol) and Kim Hyung-Chil (S Kor), 72.4; 34, D Foster (Ire), 72.8; 35 E Brodax (Virgin Islands), 74.2; 36, M Knighton (NZ), 74.6; equal 37, M Tudor (Can) and P Gray (Bern), 75.6; 39, M Phipps (GB), 78.2; 40, K Iwatani (Japan), 79.0; 41, K Rogowski (Pol), 80.2; equal 42, B Fogarty (Aus) and J Watson (Ire), 85.4; 44, Ramon Beca (Sp), 85.6; 45, Park So-Jil, Ramon Beca (Sp), 85.6; 45, Park So-Jil, Ramon Beca (Sp), 85.6; 45, Park So-Jil

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Australia united in their stand on abandoning tour

From Richard Streeton, Karachi

A decision by the Australian cricket team on whether to abandon its tour of Pakistan and return home was deferred 24 hours yesterday at a team meeting which took place two hours after its heavy defeat in the first Test match here. Sickened by what they felt were the injustices of a poor pitch and biased umpiring, the players agreed they should discuss the situation again today in Faisalabad, where the second Test starts on Friday.

By coincidence, therefore, Faisalabad, the sprawling Punjabi textile city where last December Mike Gatting and Shakoor Rana had their notorious clash, will again be the scene for momentous events that could leave cricket further scarred. The Australian players accept that, if they vote in favour of cancelling the tour, the final decision would still rest with the Australian Cricket Board.

If the board ruled that the tour had to continue, Allan Border, the Australian captain, confirmed that the team would play, "but under protest". Colin Egar, the Australian manager, said he expected the Faisalabad Test would start, whatever happened at the team meeting, because it could be Friday before the Australian board's executive could make their own decision.

"I am 100 per cent behind the team and respect their responsible approach," Egar said. He and Bob Simpson, the coach, attended the meeting. "There was a calm, rational discussion about the effect any decision would have on international cricket and their own futures," Egar said. "It was agreed that perhaps it was not the right time to decide anything and that it was best to sleep on it."

It is understood that the players were more concerned about Pakistani umpiring standards than Karachi's poor pitch, which from the start was a dry, worn strip, devoid of grass, in the centre of an otherwise green ground. To their disappointment, the Australians heard that Mahboob Shah, the umpire publicly criticized by Egar at the weekend for not giving leg-before decisions, had been reappointed for the Faisalabad match.

Mahboob will stand with Tariq Ata, who has not previously officiated in a Test match. Egar was angry that he learned of their appointments when a carbon copy of the letter sent to them was hand-delivered to him at the team's hotel. "Apart from the discourtesy, we are supposed, under ICC agreement, to have 48 hours' warning of Test appointments," he said. "I shall certainly be objecting to Mahboob standing, though the final decision does rest with the home board."

The Australian players' intention to discuss returning home was first disclosed by Border in a dressing-room Press conference immediately after the Test ended and the team management had no idea what he was going to say. Border, who said the players were 100 per cent in favour of going home, said any drama in his time in cricket always had Pakistan as the common denominator.

"There had been a conspiracy from the start," Border said. "We were never going to be allowed to win. I think we have got to think long and hard what to do. The ramifications of going home would be huge. But I think ultimately someone has got to take a stand because this sort of thing has been going on for too long. If we are the ones to cop it, so be it."

Border, angry but choosing his words carefully, said the pitch had been the worst he had seen anywhere in his first-class career. "We knew it had been prepared with their spinners in mind. The final outcome was never in doubt. Pakistan are too good a team to have to resort to this sort of thing. They are a class side and it is disappointing that they feel cricket has to be played in these circumstances."

Border said it was unbelievable that Australia could have bowled 170 overs on a turning pitch whose bounce was uneven and not had one leg-before appeal upheld. The fact Australia lost the toss and dropped catches was irrelevant in this context. By the third and fourth days, when Australia batted, it was impossible to play shots because of the unpredictable way the ball behaved.

"Right from the word go we had the feeling we were never in the game and would never be allowed to be and that is what really irks the players." Border said he believed that it was not worthwhile for any team to tour Pakistan again until the situation changed.

"The pitch admittedly was a nightmare to umpire on, very, very difficult with the dust and the ball going all over the place. But we have been hard done by. The only alternative is neutral umpires. We have been talking about this and it is the only way to go."

Border added: "If you do not feel as though you have a chance in a game, I do not understand why you would want to be involved in the contest. It is nothing to do with losing. You can handle that if it is fair and square but we do not feel that has been the case."

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Bringing tennis to the world



Seoul

Ever since Gabriela Sabatini carried the Argentinian flag in the opening ceremony here four days ago, the question prompted among many International Olympic Committee (IOC) members and International Federations is: if such a tennis professional can be part of the Olympic Games, why not Diego Maradona? Had Boris Becker been fit to be here, the West German delegation had planned for him to carry their flag. So why should Rudi Völler not be here? Or Ruud Gullit?

Stefan Edberg, the Wimbledon champion, opened the men's singles tournament here yesterday at the imposing new tennis centre in Olympic Park, beating Horst Skoff, of Austria. With limited entry per country, and several injuries, there are still 14 of the top 30 ranked played among the men and 19 in the women's singles entry.

The return of tennis to the Olympic Games for the first time since 1924 is having two immediate effects. Powerful sporting nations such as Soviet Union and China are substantially raising their interest in the game, and increasing pressure will now be put upon FIFA, football's governing body, and João Havelange, its president, to enter full professional teams in the Games.

The widespread view here in Seoul is that if tennis can bring its best players, FIFA should not be allowed, in the interest of protecting the elite status of the World Cup, to enter teams of an arbitrarily reduced quality. Either enter their full teams, or none at all.

Barcelona would dearly like to have full professional teams entered in 1992, rather than European and South American sides who are denied players who have taken part in previous World Cup finals. Havelange is less than pleased with the tennis development, and he will have difficulty negotiating with Samaranch, the IOC president, on FIFA's eligibility rule over the next two years. Full professionalism in football would increase Olympic revenue from television, and in the long term reduce World Cup revenue: never mind prestige.

The move towards the return of tennis was sparked by a conversation in the Lenin stadium during a Davis Cup tie in 1973, when a Soviet official, talking to Philippe Chatrier, of France, criticized the International Tennis Federation for not doing more to help the spread of the game. Did Chatrier not realize, the Soviet asked, that 80 per cent of governments would give no grant to a sport that was not in the Olympic Games? Tennis was happily established in the grand slam countries, but why be self-satisfied about the glories of Roland Garros or Wimbledon?

Four years later, when Chatrier became president of the ITF, he made the return of tennis one of his priorities, assisted by David Gray, the late general secretary. You do not have to look far for evidence of the influence of the achievement.

Next year there will be a grand prix in Peking, where there are four training centres nowadays. The Soviets, instead of sending their men to the recent US Open, spent three weeks acclimatizing in Tokyo for the tournament here. Chatrier says: "The effect of our return on the development of the game in Africa and Asia will be rapid. Many countries want to expand, and that should be the first consideration of an international federation, not just to foster the established competitions."

Chatrier is dismissive of those who say, and there are many, that tennis does not need the Olympics. "From whose standpoint do they talk?" he asked. The top performers may not need it, he admits, but he was adamant that tennis would only return on an all-or-nothing basis. How could you keep out Becker when Carl Lewis was running in an athletics grand prix for £15,000 a second?

For those wanting to make a moral debate of the issue, the argument favours tennis. While the majority of the top competitors in the Olympic Games probably have their financial career hinging on the result — Boris Onyschenko cheated in the modern pentathlon's fencing event in 1976 because victory would give him the top Soviet coaching appointment — tennis players are, reversely, sacrificing to come to play for the honour of being in the Games.

Edberg said yesterday: "I'm here because playing in Los Angeles" — where he won the demonstration event — "was a really nice experience. It's like playing for your country in the Davis Cup, and that means something to me. It's only once every four years, I see nothing wrong with it.

"I enjoy not having to be so tense, defending points, and I like staying with my colleagues in the village and going to see other sports, like the men's 200 metres in swimming yesterday. That's something I could never normally do. It's not Wimbledon, but maybe in the future it will be something."

The difference between Wimbledon and Seoul is that the small tennis countries such as Canada, Peru, Nigeria, Finland, South Korea, Ivory Coast, Greece, Algeria and Indonesia have entries. Kitty Godfree, holder of a record five Olympic medals, is here, spritely as ever. "Of course tennis should be in the Games," she says. "I cannot see what is the objection."

One further thought: if tennis helps to make Olympic football wholly professional, Britain had better think fast about how it is going to co-ordinate a team, as in hockey. Havelange has promised that a combined team would not jeopardize the separate affiliation to FIFA of four home associations.

England players feel vindicated

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

If the overwhelming reaction of the cricketing fraternity is of sadness rather than surprise at the latest turmoil in Pakistan, there will also be a feeling of smug satisfaction in some quarters. Certain England players, for instance, may own up to a sense of justification as another visiting team experiences the syndrome they experienced, not always in silence, nine months ago.

It has, I am afraid, taken the Australians no time at all to discover that, for all the brave words and synthetic deeds of Pakistan's new cricketing administration, nothing has essentially changed. In a land of dust-bowl pitches, excitable umpires and high-class spin bowling, the touring team has always feared it is fighting on unequal terms; if, as Gatting implied last winter and Border has come right out and claimed now, a backroom conspiracy is also suspected, the battle is mentally lost from the outset.

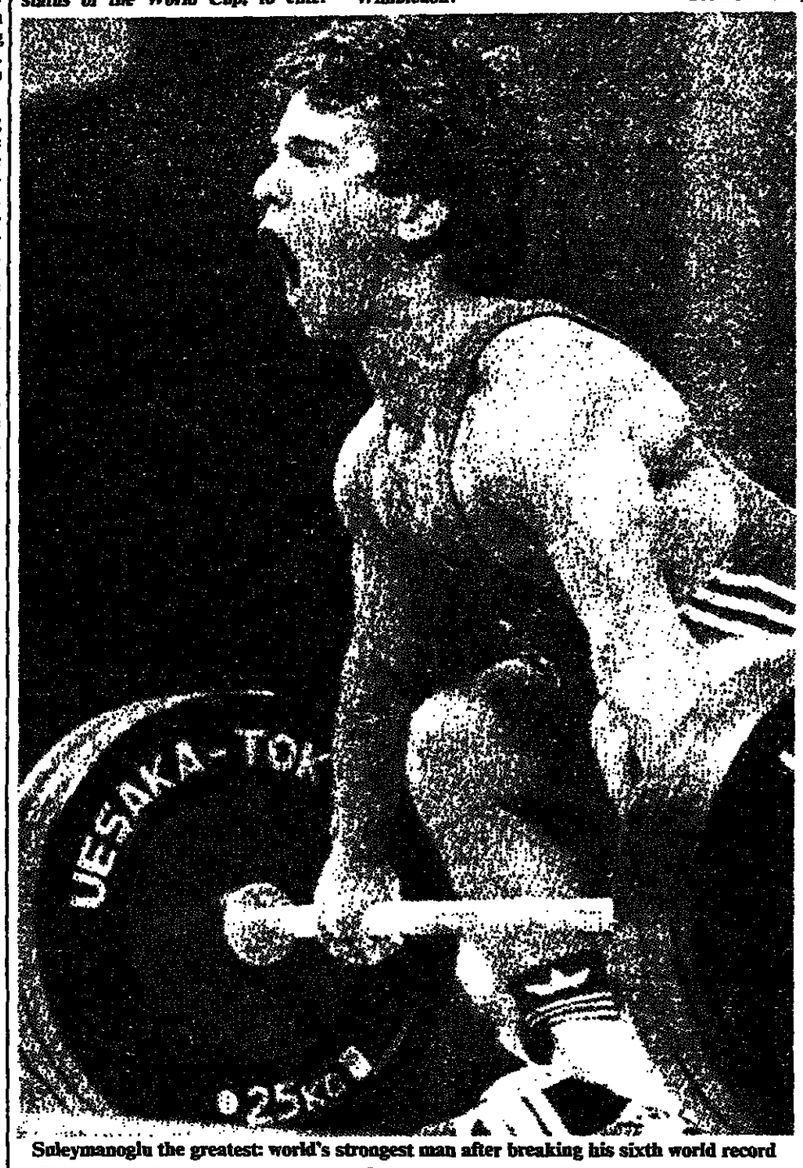
There are some points worth making about the latest upset. The main thrust of the Australian complaints, after heavy defeat in the first Test, is that the pitch was unacceptable and the umpiring of Mahboob Shah was incompetent, if not biased.

The pitch was assuredly prepared to suit the slow bowlers — at Karachi they always are. But if it was such a mockery of a Test pitch, how on earth did Pakistan manage to score 469 on it?

The answer must be that the Australian spin bowlers were not up to the task, their shortcomings exposed even more mercilessly than were those of the England spinners last winter. Pakistan's three slow bowlers are superbly effective in such conditions. They will beat the bat more often and, consequently, are much more likely to earn leg-before decisions, merited or otherwise, than their opponents.

From this distance no comment is possible on the umpiring. It is interesting, however, that Mahboob Shah was one of the few Pakistan umpires to find relative favour with the England players a year ago.

He officiated in the World Cup final and later, when England successfully objected to the umpires appointed for the final Test, Mahboob stood without protest. If he is still regarded as one of Pakistan's best umpires, the Australian reaction when they encounter inferior officials hardly bears contemplating.



Suleymanoglu the greatest: world's strongest man after breaking his sixth world record

Turkish delight as defector brings first gold

From John Goodbody, Seoul

Even in a sport as colourfully bizarre as weightlifting, Naim Suleymanoglu is unique. Yesterday, he won the Olympic featherweight title, having changed his name three times, defected from Bulgaria to Turkey and been the subject of probably the only transfer fee in the sport so that he could lift in the Games.

Suleymanoglu is also the strongest man pound for pound in history. At 5ft and 9st 6lb, he took the gold medal here with a final lift of almost 420lb — the equivalent of raising two moderately chubby 15st prop forwards overhead. In all, he broke six world records yesterday to bring his lifetime total to 33.

Suleymanoglu is so small women want to mother him. But it would be like coddling a lump of concrete.

Born in Bulgaria 21 years ago, he broke world records at the age of 15 and would surely have won this title in 1984 but for the boycott. However, like other members of the Turkish minority, he was ordered by the Bulgarian Government to change his original name from Suleimanov to the Bulgarian version of Shalamanov.

Incensed at this insult, he defected during the 1986 World Cup in Australia and was flown to Ankara in the private jet of the Turkish Prime Minister. There was one problem. Suleymanoglu, his new name, could not lift in these Olympics without the permission of Bulgaria, who was scarcely likely to agree as it regards its dominance in weightlifting as sancrosanct.

Negotiations began and were finalized, at a figure believed to be £600,000. Yesterday, every Turk in Korea, mainly university students and Olympic competitors, seemed to be in the weightlifting hall to wave flags and witness the culmination of the coup.

Suleymanoglu was competing against his former training partner, Stefan Topourov, the first man to lift three times his own body weight overhead.

But Topourov was no match for his old friend. He had finished his snatching before Suleymanoglu began with 330lb. The Turk's first lift was so smoothly completed that when he dropped the bar he waved his hand at it as if to say, "See? No problem". He eventually beat Topourov by 66lb.

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FA charges Arsenal player

By Louise Taylor

Paul Davis, the Arsenal midfield player, has been charged with bringing the game into disrepute by the Football Association, which raises a doubt about his immediate future at international level.

Davis, one of five Arsenal players in the England squad for the match against Denmark last week, is alleged to have unleashed a blow which broke the jaw of Glenn Cockerill, of Southampton, in an off-the-ball incident during the match at Highbury last Saturday.

While the incident was missed by the officials, it was captured by television cameras. Ted Croker, the FA secretary, and Graham Kelly, the secretary-designate, watched a recording yesterday and afterwards Erick Dinnie, secretary of the disciplinary committee, announced that Davis was to be charged.

"In fairness to the player, he will be required to attend the hearing so that he has the opportunity to view the film along with the members of the commission," he said.

Davis has already been the subject of a private punishment from George Graham, the Arsenal manager. Any suspension arising from the FA charge could negate his chances of playing in the World Cup qualifier against Sweden next month. If Southampton should decide to press charges, Davis could end up in court.

Cockerill confirmed yesterday that he would not be instigating a private prosecution because "the club will do what is necessary".

"I just hope Davis gets a suitable punishment," Cockerill said. "No player should be allowed to get away with an attack like that." He denied Davis's claims that he was provoked and had cuts on the back of his legs

The Southampton player said: "I did nothing to provoke such a brutal attack. I was not booked by the referee. If he is bothered about a few cuts on his legs, then he shouldn't be in the game."

Soviet achieves the unthinkable

From Simon Barnes, Seoul

I saw it, but I still didn't believe it. I saw it again on the action replay — I counted them out and I counted them back, in fact — but after a while I doubted my certainty. I asked an expert. Yes. I really had seen gymnastics taken into the next century.

Vladimir Gogoladze really had performed a triple somersault off the floor: the first time gravity has ever been so defied at the Olympic Games. And come to think of it, perhaps I am underestimating things. Perhaps the Soviets will be turning nonchalant quads at the Games of 2000 AD.

The strange thing was that this was the team event, the event in which, by tradition, gymnasts perform more conservatively, more within themselves, aiming for safe and solid perfection for the greater glory of the team. That the triple should fall within these parameters for the Soviets is something that leaves their rivals gasping.

The Soviets won. I predicted this: I also predicted Shergar would win the Derby, and I predict Mike Tyson will beat Frank Bruno. Of the three, perhaps the Soviets was the safest bet.

A Soviet failure was about as likely as a Soviet athlete getting in trouble for drinking too much champagne — though as it happens, Dmitri Bilozerchev has been in trouble for drinking too much champagne.

Three years ago, he celebrated his engagement not wisely but too well. Full of champagne, he crashed his father's car, and broke his leg in 40 places. He had a steel bar implanted from knee to heel.

He tried to get fit again, but favoured the other leg so much he damaged that one. He needed surgery to put things right. Many people wrote him off — as you would expect.

But on Tuesday night, he gave a performance of such assured perfection it made you gasp. He put together three perfect 10s, and would surely have come out top individually, had he not suffered a minor disaster on the last piece, the high bar.

The Japanese team stole the bronze medal, and the roar that greeted the clinching mark came in the midst of Bilozerchev's routine. He was startled, lost it, and picked it up again a moment later — but a moment's error is a glaring fault in this sport of perfection.

It was an inspiring evening. For perhaps male gymnastics is the finest of Olympic sports. If you seek unsurpassed courage, you find it here. If you want skill, there is no tougher event. If you want grace, this has it by the bucket-full. If you admire strength, look no further.

The Soviets play this game without apparent passion, without drama, without histrionics. They present you instead with a honed knife-edge of perfection.

You ask about the British gymnasts. Terry Bartlett was 75th and Andrew Morris 81st on the individual scale. Don't mock: they are two of the most gifted sportsmen in Britain. They deserve medals of platinum for their skills and their courage. To get even within a couple of light-years of the Soviet performance is, by ordinary sporting lights, achievement enough.

Hackney may miss his event

Britain's Olympic steeplechase hope, Roger Hackney, is in danger of missing the games because of a viral infection. The doctor, aged 32, who specializes in sports injuries, has been left behind in Tokyo while the remainder of the party have gone to Seoul.

Hackney, who has been unable to train because of severe chest pains, said from Tokyo yesterday that he has given himself until the weekend for things to clear up but his place in the 3,000 metres event was in some doubt.

Foil hopefuls

The British fencers, Bill Gosbee, Donnie McKenzie and Pierre Harper, all qualified for the final stages of the men's foil yesterday. Gosbee was the top British qualifier and is seeded tenth in today's final elimination series.

Stop gap

Any hopes the British marksswoman, Margaret Thomas, had of getting away from her job as a dentist were dashed when the rhythmic gymnast, Lisa Black, complained of toothache, and Thomas came to the rescue with a temporary filling.

Just the ticket

Only a third of the tickets for hockey and canoeing have been bought so far, but judo and swimming are practically sold out. Ninety-nine per cent of the 41,797 tickets for judo and the same percentage for swimming's 85,652 tickets have been snapped up. Athletics is not far behind. Only 12 per cent of the total 498,512 athletics tickets can still be bought.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Spurs get a hearing

Tottenham Hotspur been granted a personal hearing before a Football League commission of inquiry looking into their postponed opening match of the season against Coventry City.

The commission, headed by Philip Carter, the League chairman, will impose judgement upon Tottenham's action — taken because of unfinished building work — on a date to be decided.

Passing grade

Mike Pagel threw two touchdown passes on Monday to lead the Cleveland Browns American football team to a 23-17 win over his former team, the Indianapolis Colts.



Conway: international return

Richmond call

Joanne Conway, the British skating champion, returns from training in the United States with her coach, Robin Cousins, to take part in the Skate Electric International at Richmond from October 4 to 6. Cousins will give an exhibition performance.

No grouse

Famous Grouse, the whisky distillers, will sponsor London Scottish rugby club for three years.

Lewis honour

Ray Lewis will join the international football federation's (FIFA) list of referees in January, 1989. He replaces John Martin, who reaches the age-limit of 50 next year.

Kent choose

Kent have named their side to play Sussex in the Toshiba rugby union county championship on September 28 at Askeans' ground.

TEAM: P Ashworth (O Alleyneians), D Osbourne (Rosslyn P), J Graham (Coventry), M Scott (Blackheath), H Corless (Askeans), J Field (Askeans), H Evans (Pontypridd), P Essenhigh (Rosslyn P), R Taylor (Nottingham), F Croxford (Harlequins), P Rauh (Askeans), P Catt (Richmond), D Thrasher (Harlequins), R Nelson (Tunbridge W), R Langhorne (Harlequins).

A tactical race is judged to a nicety

From John Goodbody, Seoul

Steven Redgrave and Andy Holmes may have finished second to their Italian rivals, the Abbagnale brothers, in their heat of the coxed pairs, but in the overall strategy of the Olympic rowing regatta, they can be well satisfied with their controlled performances.

The two 1984 Olympic champions in the coxed fours, who are attempting a unique double of victories in the coxed and coxless pairs, have the easier of the semi-finals and this must aid them if they are affected by tiredness during the two finals at the weekend.

Brian Armstrong, the team manager, said: "They feel that everything went according to plan. It was a bit of a cat and mouse game. They wanted to split the Italians and the Romanians and not expend too much energy."

After the previous day's rain and wind, the sun came out from behind the mountains overlooking the Han River rowing complex. With a gentle headwind the weather was as one always imagines Henley deserves and rarely enjoys.

Within a handful of strokes the British pair were a quarter-length up on the pair who beat them for the world title last year. Then the Italians raised their striking rate to 36, compared to the British 34, and by 500 metres were in the lead.

With 400 metres to go, the Romanians were striking 39½ to the 34½ of the British pair and it was only in the last 100 metres that Redgrave and Holmes raised their rating to 40, more to hold off the Romanians than to challenge the Italians. They finished only 0.09sec behind the Abbagnales and 0.44sec in front of the Romanians.

More significant, they immediately started paddling back down the course, while the Italians seemed more distressed and took their time to recover.

When the time comes for Redgrave and Holmes to raise their rate of striking in the final, the Italians will no doubt be hoping that their exertions in the other event will have reduced their pulling power.

Britain's coxless four looked equally confident. Their international reputation has grown enormously since they only just failed to beat the East German world champions in Lucerne and they are gaining in stature with every race. Perhaps cruise was the word that best described their performance in their heat. "They took the lead and then just sat on it, reached a good rhythm and watched everyone follow them. It was nice to have a race like that under their belts," Armstrong said.

The eight was less composed, finishing third behind the Soviet Union and a Canadian crew that overhauled Britain between 1,000 and 1,500 metres. It has another chance in the repêchage.

In yesterday's women's events, where no British crew was entered, the Communist countries were uniformly impressive. In the eights, Romania, whose crew has been transformed since its victory in last year's world championships, and East Germany were the first two nations in one heat and the Soviet Union and China, took the leading positions in the other race.